Subject: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by SouthernVersion on Mon, 24 Oct 2022 18:42:27 GMT
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Hi guys, it's been awhile since I've posted on here. There is a Kustom K100-2 for sale near me. The plate on the back of the cab says Jensen. I've heard that if it says Jensen then it's a guitsr cabinet, if it says CTS it's a bass cabinet. Is that true? Thanks!

Also, is $250 a good price for it? I will try and talk him down a bit.

-Matthew

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by stevem on Mon, 24 Oct 2022 19:08:04 GMT
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Yes, that's true.

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by SouthernVersion on Mon, 24 Oct 2022 19:10:54 GMT
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Is $250 a good price for it? I'd figure I'll try to talk him down to $200. I could always pull out the speakers and swap with a pair of bass speakers.

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by stevem on Mon, 24 Oct 2022 22:56:00 GMT
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Well there's some issues here now that you have reviled that your thinking about buying it for playing bass thru it.

The -2 head is a guitar head with only one channel, and a always on treble boost that cuts down on the low end, so it's not a good choice for bass.

250 is a good price for both and the original Jensen C12n speakers if in good shape could be resold for 75 bucks or more.

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by SouthernVersion on Tue, 25 Oct 2022 03:13:05 GMT
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I've been in the market for a bass 2x15 or 2x12 for gigging purposes. Even in New York these Kustoms are hard to come by. I'd use the head for a guitar on a different amp. I could swap out the speakers for a pair of bass speakers. I haven't gotten to see the amp yet, going to check it out Wednesday, If the speakers and wiring are all original I will probably try to remove the speakers and wire and input jack without unsoldering anything. I hate to be that guy that ruins something in original condition. Hence why i'd remove the speakers and wiring and jack together.

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by pleat on Tue, 25 Oct 2022 17:22:10 GMT
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Colors will determine prices on any piece of Kustom equipment. Black cabs will bring less than a color.

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by pleat on Tue, 25 Oct 2022 17:23:26 GMT
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I have a near mint blue CTS 2x12 cab for sale here in Michigan for 350.00

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by SouthernVersion on Wed, 26 Oct 2022 00:50:49 GMT
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This one is black. I live in New York, Michigan is quite a ways away for me haha. Hope you get a buyer though!

-Matthew

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by pleat on Wed, 26 Oct 2022 17:56:19 GMT
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Black was the most popular color. Over 50% of sales. PA systems made up 55%, Bass amps 25% and guitar amps 20% according to an email from Bud. So in order, black, charcoal, silver, blue, red, gold, and cascade. I personally think Gold was the rarest color in the fact I haven't seen many gold amps for sale over the years.
pleat

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by Ancient One on Sun, 30 Oct 2022 14:51:16 GMT
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Along this line, I'm looking at a 2X15 gold T&R serial# 16298. The seller has it described as a bass cabinet with Jensen C15Ls. Based on the above info this is a guitar cab? I understand cabs are all the same size so it is feasible to replace the speakers for bass?

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by stevem on Sun, 30 Oct 2022 17:30:00 GMT
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Yes and no.
The C15L did go up high enough in frequency response to be used for guitar, but it was also used in Hammond 122 Leslie's and the B3 organ could come with bass pedals.

This all being said, for bass guitar the 2-15 CTS , JBL 140, or Altec 421, loaded cabs are best for bass.

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by SouthernVersion on Fri, 04 Nov 2022 00:46:43 GMT
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I bought the amp and got it home a week or 2 ago. It sounds great for guitar. Also got curious with the bass and plugged the head into my 3x15 Kustom bass cab. Didn't sound too bad. Did some research before plugging a bass in it. Don't think any damage could be done to the head. I know plugging a bass into a guitar cab would blow out the speakers. Made sure to have the head going into the 3x15.

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by SouthernVersion on Fri, 04 Nov 2022 00:47:48 GMT
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Was going to post a photo. But it wont let me until I've made 10 messages. 2 more to go haha.

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by SouthernVersion on Fri, 16 Dec 2022 04:16:09 GMT
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Ah ha! Got the photo to work!

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by SouthernVersion on Fri, 16 Dec 2022 04:23:22 GMT
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I will take some closer photos and post them in a few minutes here!

-Matthew

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by SouthernVersion on Fri, 16 Dec 2022 04:43:31 GMT
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Here's more photos of my K-100!

Here is the head and cab together.

Just the cab. Still has the original Jensens inside! (photo later on)

A close up on the plexiglass faceplate. The reverb on this unit is very nice!

Back of the head. You can see I added a pull tab on the back so I can pull the back off easier.

Close up on the serial number plate.

Here's the back of the cab.

Close up on the jack.

And the serial number plate.

This one still has the original handles! Bought my 3x15 cab without them.

Have to post the last 2 photos separate, can't post more than 10 images.

-Matthew

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by SouthernVersion on Fri, 16 Dec 2022 04:57:36 GMT
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Here are the rest of the photos

Here's a look inside, as mentioned earlier, still has the original Jensen speakers and cross brace!

Here's a close up on the Kustom stamps on the baffle as well as on the speaker.

Overall this amp is in great condition! Much better compared to the 3X15 cab I bought years ago. If interested I can make another thread and show pictures of that one!

I've heard a lot that posting photos on this forum wasn't possible? Weird.

-Matthew

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by rodak on Wed, 21 Dec 2022 21:17:43 GMT
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Nice! I think the speakers may have been reconed, as the original Jensen's had an aluminum dust dome with a black vent in the center. Not a huge deal, just something to be aware of.

I could be wrong, if so, I'm sure someone will be along to correct me ;)

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by stevem on Fri, 23 Dec 2022 22:19:24 GMT
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My Jensen C12N drivers are original to my k100 cabinet and they do not have aluminum domes and over the voice coil.
With that being said I must say that they have been reconed because that voice cover is mush bigger then what the originals where on a C12N driver.

Subject: Re: Difference between Kustom guitar and bass cabinets
Posted by SouthernVersion on Sun, 01 Jan 2023 04:23:25 GMT
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Ah okay, kinda sucks its not 100% original, but 99% original still makes me happy haha! It still sounds great! I plan on swapping out these 2 speakers for a pair of bass speakers for gigging. But

at the same time, looking at it everyday, seeing how good the condition of it is, I almost don't want to destroy it from gigging.

Either way, I am in love with this thing!

-Matthew
