



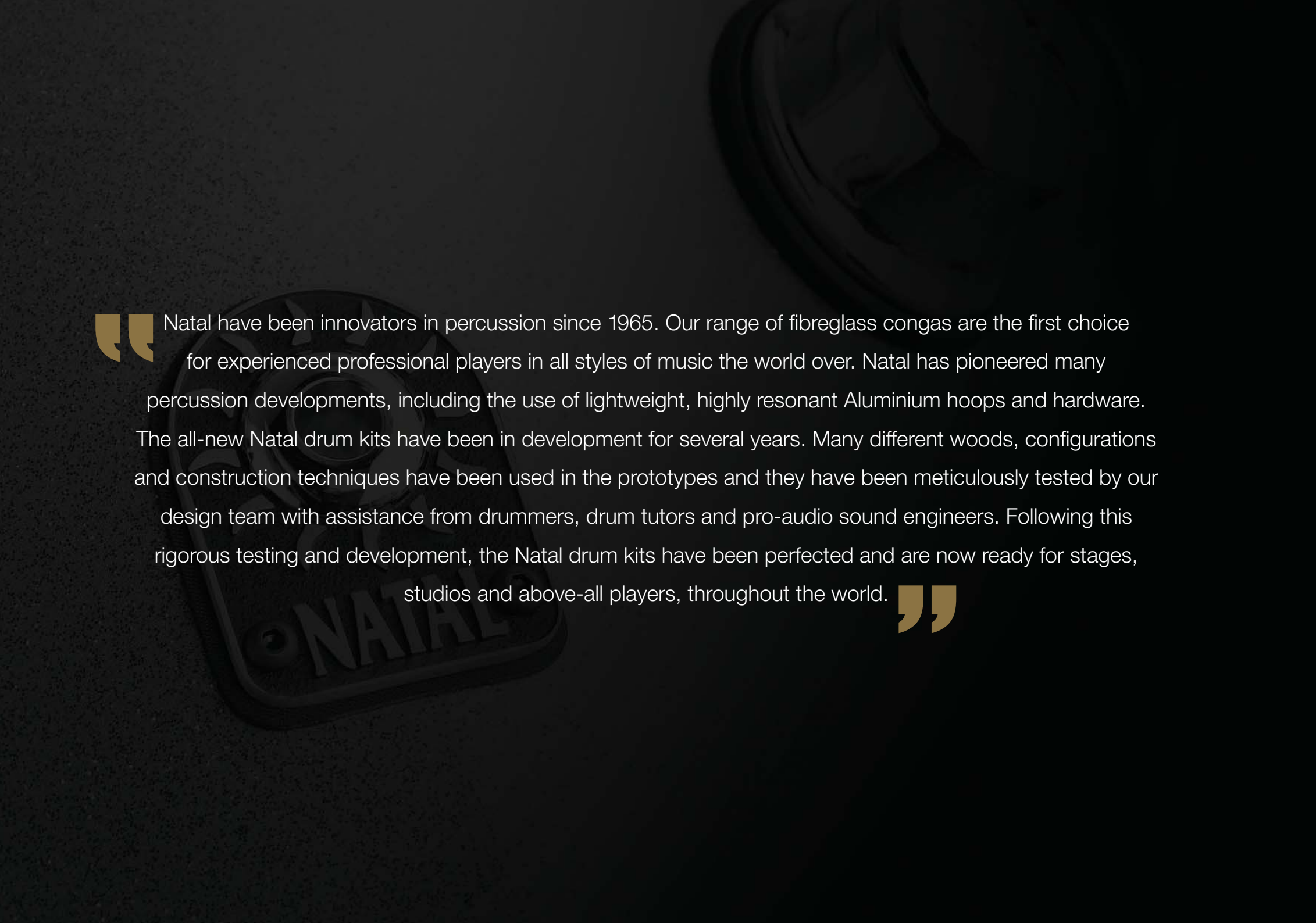
NATAL



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Since 1965





“ Natal have been innovators in percussion since 1965. Our range of fibreglass congas are the first choice for experienced professional players in all styles of music the world over. Natal has pioneered many percussion developments, including the use of lightweight, highly resonant Aluminium hoops and hardware. The all-new Natal drum kits have been in development for several years. Many different woods, configurations and construction techniques have been used in the prototypes and they have been meticulously tested by our design team with assistance from drummers, drum tutors and pro-audio sound engineers. Following this rigorous testing and development, the Natal drum kits have been perfected and are now ready for stages, studios and above-all players, throughout the world. ”

Stave Shells

As you would expect from a company whose heritage in handmaking Stave Shell drums in England began in the 1980's, we have developed a range of Stave Shell snare drums. We offer a choice of woods, all with individual characteristics for various drummers needs. All snare drums feature 2.3mm hoops with Natal's 3-position snare throw and Natal Custom snare wires with copper-plated mounting plates. All drums are fitted with Aquarian designed drum heads.

US Ash

US Ash is used for its proven resonance. Natal has consistently worked with this wood since we began to make wooden congas. This is a tough, but flexible straight grained wood ideal for snare drums.

Maple

Maple is utilised for its harder density which results in a bright top-end which is enhanced in the lower frequency ranges by the thickness of the shell. Maple provides a perfect balance between tone and volume.

Bubinga

Bubinga is known for its highly figured finish. Bubinga is a very hard tropical timber with a predominately straight interlocked grain. Widely chosen for its bright response, it is also a very dense wood so it offers a loud but balanced resonance throughout all ranges of tuning.

Fittings

Natal drums utilise the same lug boxes throughout all drum set ranges. They are designed to be both supremely functional whilst retaining the Natal heritage with the use of our distinctive sun logo. The lugs are highly polished chrome-plated zinc with a very heavy wall thickness mounted on an insulating plinth. Dependant on the depth of shell, we use both single and double-sided lugs, together with a dedicated bass drum lug in the same style.

Snare Throw

Our snare throw-off is the result of many months of design and testing. We have developed a unique 3-position, side action snare throw which not only gives the standard 'off' setting together with a fully adjustable 'on' position, but also includes a third position. This third position provides a looser setting for a more sustained or 'sloppy' snare response in an instant without any need to adjust the main snare tensioner.

Left: Natal offers a wide range of both wood and metal snares.

Drum Kits

All of our kits are manufactured to the same high standards using the same fittings throughout. Choose your shell sizes from our extensive suggested shell pack listings or configure your own custom kit as all shells are available separately. Finally, determine wood and finish options to your own taste and requirements.

All bass drums feature heavy duty, ultra-robust, telescopic, surface-mounted legs and feature a high grade rubber foot to prevent slipping. This foot can be adjusted to reveal a spike for ultimate stability. Maple hoops are fitted as standard. An identification badge showing the chosen wood is fitted to all bass drums. All tom and snare drums are fitted with 2.3mm steel hoops. Highly chromed and double polished.

Ash

Based on our long-term successful use of this wood in hand percussion manufacture, our first choice option for drum kits is Ash. Utilising Ash as an inner ply and composite laminating it, we have produced a highly responsive shell at a very affordable price. The Ash kits feature exclusive Natal 'wrap' finishes.

Maple

Maple gives boosted low-ends along with smooth mid and high frequencies, making for a very versatile kit. It is a wood that is often described as warm sounding due to this frequency range and response and is available with a broad choice of lacquer finishes.

Birch

Birch will generally give a brighter sound as it has a tendency to increase high-end frequencies over both Maple and Ash. Available in a wide choice of lacquer finishes.

Bubinga

Bubinga is a hard tropical wood which is capable of introducing very delicate bright high range tones to the underlying depth. This is also available in a wide choice of lacquer finishes.

Our extensive list of colours and finishes can be found on the rear of the leaflet.



Steel Snare Drums

Our range of metal shell snare drums is extremely broad and features multiple options on Copper and Bronze finishes together with Chrome and Nickel. Shells are hand-hammered and fitted with 2.3mm hoops, Natal's 3-position snare throw and Natal custom snare wires, which feature copper-plated mounting plates. All drums are fitted with Aquarian designed drum heads.



Pro Series Hardware

Bass Pedals

The Pro Series bass pedals are available in single and double versions with the additional option of a 'lefty' version of the double pedal. We have a choice of cams available, the Speed Cam or the Smooth Cam, and both feature six bearings for a precise and sustained operation. All pedals feature a double chain operation with a side adjustable, self-levelling hoop clamp, custom-designed beater and aluminium foot and heel plates.

Hi-Hat Stand

Our Hi-Hat is an extremely stable, two-legged stand featuring an aluminium footplate. With an ultra smooth operation and a small footprint, it allows the individual player to position it exactly where it is most ergonomically correct.

Cymbal Stand

To maintain versatility in hardware set-ups, we've produced a cymbal stand with a 'disappearing' boom as standard. This is an extremely stable stand with memory locks included and non-slip rubber feet.

Snare Stand

Featuring an extendable, offset locking basket, which is suitable for 10-15" snare drums and perfectly stable even when fully extended, it also features a locking ball-socket basket for perfect positioning. Ideal for use with single or double bass pedals. Includes a heavy duty metal adjuster for the basket, a metal boom arm lever lock and non-slip rubber feet.



Colour Options

Ash

Grey Sparkle
White Swirl
Black Swirl
Solid Black

Maple

Silver Sparkle
Violet Sparkle
Sea Sparkle
Red Sparkle
Orange Sparkle
Copper Sparkle
Green Sparkle
Blue Sparkle
Black Sparkle
Gloss Burgundy
Gloss Black
Tobacco Fade
Green Fade
White Metallic
Black Metallic
Sunburst Fade

Birch

Gloss Burgundy
Gloss Black
Tobacco Fade
Green Fade
White Metallic
Black Metallic
Sunburst Fade

Bubinga

Natural Bubinga
Pewter to Black Mist
Blue to Green Fade
Orange

