
Subject: Can a K 100C-8 be converted into a bass amp?
Posted by [RickBlacker](#) on Sun, 04 Jan 2009 23:33:43 GMT
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Thinking about getting a bass to go along with my guitars for back tracking and what not. Was wondering if I can somehow convert my Kustom into a bass amp. Or at minimum replace the drivers in it with drivers that can handle the lower frequencies.

Thanks!
Rick

Subject: Re: Can a K 100C-8 be converted into a bass amp?
Posted by [LesS](#) on Mon, 05 Jan 2009 01:29:13 GMT
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Rick
If your Kustom K100C-8 has two speakers, it makes a poor bass amp - as the internal enclosure is too small - less than 1.0 cubic foot.
If your Kustom K100C-8 has four speakers (4x10), the speaker enclosure is only 1.7 cubic feet, so it will work for bass, but you would be better off using a real bass cabinet.

Even a real 2x10 bass cab that is 2.0 cu ft will be short on deep bass - you have to get to about 3.0 cubic feet before most cabs can put out decent deep bass.
And 3.0 cu ft is just the minimum.

For comparison, the enclosure volume of a Kustom 2x15 is about 4.3 cu ft.

-Les S

Subject: Re: Can a K 100C-8 be converted into a bass amp?
Posted by [RickBlacker](#) on Mon, 05 Jan 2009 01:54:29 GMT
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So the amp itself, would be fine, but ideally i would need a different cabinet?

I have two drivers in the K100C-8. I don't want to distroy the cab itself, but if I decided to build an entire different cab, would the amp and those two speakers work fine enough? I'm not talking about gigging with it, just a little practice amp is all I would want. My primary is regular 6 string guitar, I just want to be able to make some backing bass riffs.

Subject: Re: Can a K 100C-8 be converted into a bass amp?
Posted by [LesS](#) on Mon, 05 Jan 2009 02:05:50 GMT

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The amp would be fine.
The speakers would not last with bass guitar.
You would need some bass speakers.
You might be better off just buying a used 8 ohm bass guitar cabinet (check out talkbass.com).

Subject: Re: Can a K 100C-8 be converted into a bass amp?

Posted by [stevem](#) on Mon, 05 Jan 2009 17:37:30 GMT

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These days you can pick up a used bass cab like a 1_15" crate brand or the like for 150 or less, it may look like hell, but as long as it plays and its just for home use, to me who cares!

I have used my little Fender vibro champ with its 5 watt out put and 8" speakers to record bass tracks with a 4 string, when miked close up it was great, so if you do the same your speakers should last with no problem just make sure you use only the volume that you need with the mic right up on the amps grille.

To use a seperate bass cab you can wire in a switched type jack mounted on a small L bracket to the inside of the cab but with plug in acess thru the amps rear oval ports.

With a switched jack the internal speakers work untill you plug in the extension cabinet and then the internal speakers will turn off.
