
Subject: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [oren hudson](#) on Fri, 10 May 2013 03:22:17 GMT
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Ran across this yesterday. Maybe I overlooked it, but I only saw 3-15 cabs in the literature section. I talked to the guy and he says they're 12s. I got him to look at the speaker jack and it has CTS on it. Also, I count 21 vertical pleats whereas I count 27 on the 3-15 literature cabs. Same number across vertically - 12. Any opinions or comments? It's on the Greenville, SC CL under Kustom bass cabinet posted May 8th.

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [BC](#) on Fri, 10 May 2013 03:43:55 GMT
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Look at the Kolor Katalog Supplement section in the 100/200/400 Literature area. The blue amps at the bottom are 3x12s. I have two 3x12 cabinets and they sound fine. They are between 2x15 and 3x15 size in height. BC

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [BC](#) on Fri, 10 May 2013 03:51:40 GMT
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I just looked at the 1970 Price list and it shows the cabinets were available with CTS, Jensen or Altec speakers. BC

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [braud357](#) on Fri, 10 May 2013 10:14:28 GMT
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I've got one - it came with Jensen's. I converted it to a 2x12 + 2x10 cabinet. There was one on EBAY not too long ago.

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [BC](#) on Fri, 10 May 2013 13:13:08 GMT
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I remember that.....I bought the three Jensens from you! BC

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [WVTom](#) on Fri, 10 May 2013 18:32:24 GMT

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I too have a 3 X 12 cabinet. I bought it new in the early 70's. It was a good sounding cabinet

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [oren hudson](#) on Sat, 11 May 2013 02:03:55 GMT

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Thanks for all of the input. I'm thinking that the \$200 asking price is high considering it's got CTS's, maybe, a fair amount of tares, looks like the wheels might not be original and is blue sparkle.

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [BC](#) on Sat, 11 May 2013 02:18:02 GMT

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WVTom.....Tell us about your 3x12. What Color? Speakers? Do you still use it? One of my 3x12s is black and the other one is charcoal. BC

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [braud357](#) on Sat, 11 May 2013 11:47:51 GMT

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oren hudson wrote on Fri, 10 May 2013 21:03 Thanks for all of the input. I'm thinking that the \$200 asking price is high considering it's got CTS's, maybe, a fair amount of tares, looks like the wheels might not be original and is blue sparkle.

I paid \$200 for mine, and it was black. Price seems fair !

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [WVTom](#) on Sat, 11 May 2013 14:52:31 GMT

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BC wrote on Fri, 10 May 2013 22:18 WVTom.....Tell us about your 3x12. What Color? Speakers? Do you still use it? One of my 3x12s is black and the other one is charcoal. BC

Hello BC.... I bought this unit new in the early 70's from a family owned music store in Bluefield, WV. It is a black tuck-n-roll with 3 Jensens. I really wanted the cascade or red unit, but the bass player and singer like the black looks better. We had a 200 Bass amp 2 X 15 CTS and the 200 series PA. All our stuff was bought at the same time. Prior to the 200 amp though, I did have the 100 2 X 12 lead amp in cascade. I really wish I still had that one

Anyway, I had to replace one of the speakers in my cabinet. I got it off ebay a few years back.

My amp head that came with the speakers was stolen around 1974. I had loaned it to a friend and another guitarist in our group had loaned his 2 X 12 cabinet. They both were stolen and never located. I found a 200 head in my town of residence now at a music store and picked it up. I do play the amp some, but not a whole lot. In the house, it can be loud. I now play in a Gospel group and one day am planning of hooking the rig up just for old times.

Finally, I picked up a bass cabinet a year or so ago. It has the 1 X 18. There was no head with it though.

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [pleat](#) on Sat, 11 May 2013 15:18:25 GMT
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I looked at the CL posting and it does not say it has CTS speakers. Just says bass speakers. Hard to tell after 40+ years if any of the original speakers are in the cab. I'd buy it on the spot if it were in my area, even if the speakers blown.
Most tears can be repaired with a little super glue. Casters have been replaced but looks like the newer casters Kustom used on the Big K series. Hard to tell if the handles are on the cab. The 3x12 cabs were a short lived cab 1970 to late 1971 when the slant metal face amps were introduced.
pleat

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [BC](#) on Sat, 11 May 2013 17:53:47 GMT
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Thanks for the details and history Tom! Those are the things that make the Kustom more than just another amp! It is fantastic that you still have it. Most of us old guys let our Kustoms get away...and that is why we chase them now. Yes the 3x12s can get LOUD. I have a friend who has one with the K200B-4 head and we call it the "Marshall Killer"

Oren.....Pleat says "Buy it". That's good enough!

BC

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [BC](#) on Mon, 13 May 2013 10:31:03 GMT
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Looks like there are two black 3x12s on Ebay now! BC

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s

Posted by [oren hudson](#) on Mon, 13 May 2013 23:13:44 GMT

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Again, thanks for all of the information and opinions. Looks like these cabs would be leaning towards the not real common category. I hope to get up with seller Tuesday and take a look for myself.

A few pre-view questions. What are the dimensions? Presuming it has the original CTS's, what were the ohms for each of them and resulting final ohms for the cab. Lastly, the power rating for the CTS's.

So, based on the responses as well as the "directive" of BC concerning Pleat's "buy it now" summary, it's off to Boiling Springs Tuesday.

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s

Posted by [pleat](#) on Tue, 14 May 2013 01:17:34 GMT

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The cab is 44" tall plus the casters. 24" wide same as a K200 head. The speakers would be 16 ohms or a 5.3 total ohms. As far as wattage the cab was sold with the K200B series that pumps 100 watts RMS into a 4 ohm load, so the speakers were sufficient to handle the power of the K200 head. If nothing else you have great trading potential. Bring it to Michigan and I'm sure we could swap some gear for it.

pleat

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s

Posted by [oren hudson](#) on Wed, 15 May 2013 03:12:09 GMT

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Sadly, I must report that the cab stayed in Boiling Springs, SC. It was just way worse than I expected. Had Eminence speakers that sounded just OK. Handles were broken. Wheels were just some cheap add on that barely functioned. The TnR was in real rough condition requiring lots and lots of work. Grill cloth was fairly rough as well. Just too big an undertaking since I'm not heading to Michigan any time soon to do some trading with pleat.

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s

Posted by [BC](#) on Wed, 15 May 2013 03:47:13 GMT

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Sorry it did not work out for you Oren. The good news is now you have the 3x12 bug.....and the search is on! BC

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [sunnhead](#) on Sat, 18 May 2013 12:31:17 GMT
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I never thought of owning a 3x12 until I ran across a silver 3x12 with altecs and a 200B-4 head, then a year later ran into a Gold 3x12 with Jensen's and a 200B-4 head.. just got lucky with those! They are great cabs, even in bad shape id buy one, for the right price of corse

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [oren hudson](#) on Sat, 18 May 2013 13:20:22 GMT
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Yea sunnhead - far out examples that you've got there my friend.

Subject: Re: Kustom Electronics Tn'R 3-12s
Posted by [sunnhead](#) on Sat, 18 May 2013 17:24:06 GMT
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Hey, Thanks! Yes I tell you what it was one of those times where I was in the right place at the right time. I never thought I would own a 3x12 like I said, just difficult to run by. Id like a blue one, that would be a sweet cabinet. Hell ill take all the colors
