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Subject: kustom 100 with cab

Posted by [Bigshawn](#) on Mon, 06 Jul 2015 18:26:54 GMT

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Hey im going to look a t a kustom 100 bass amp with cabinet tomorrow. it looks to have 1 15 in the cab. Anything I should look for when checking it out as far a problems. and what is the correct model number for it to be a bass head and cab. Thanks

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab

Posted by [carlc](#) on Mon, 06 Jul 2015 19:03:36 GMT

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If it's a bass amp it is a K100-1. Speaker would be a CTS

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab

Posted by [pleat](#) on Mon, 06 Jul 2015 20:38:05 GMT

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In the K100 series piggyback amps, Kustom offered the 115 cabinet with several speaker options in both the K100-1 two channel amp and the K100-2 single channel reverb amp. Jensen P15L, JBL D130F, CTS, and Altec speaker. Most people today think the two channel non effect K100-1 is a bass amp. It was sold as both guitar and bass head.

Back in the 60's a guitarist may not want the reverb/trem amp but wanted a single 15 cabinet with a premium speaker.

After 40+ years the jack plate may state a brand of speaker that the cabinet was shipped new with, but no guarantee that the original speaker is still in the cabinet. Removing the back may be the only way to know for sure. I've seen amps that appear to have the 4"aluminum dust cap, only to find out it was a Rola replacement speaker.

A few things I'd look for, any extra jacks added on the back panel? Original power cord intact, or a newer grounded three pin AC cord as a replacement.

I'd play through both channels and let the amp cook for 30 minutes and see if the back panel gets really hot. If it does, then you have some major problems that will rear it's ugly head real soon.

Price always plays a roll, color, any cig burns, handle inserts intact, casters roll, amp covers still with the unit?

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab

Posted by [Bigshawn](#) on Mon, 06 Jul 2015 20:51:10 GMT

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I figure if it works at 200 bucks ill be good . and thanks for the info

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab  
Posted by [stevem](#) on Tue, 07 Jul 2015 10:15:46 GMT  
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At 200 bucks even if it's in a bit beat up shape you can't go wrong in my book even if it has a blown up output stage that needs repair!

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab  
Posted by [Iowa Boy](#) on Tue, 07 Jul 2015 15:23:51 GMT  
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Well I would agree with Stevem if and only if, the speaker is in good shape and isn't showing signs of starting to tear along the basket. That will easily set you back \$100 to replace or more if you have it re-coned.

I've never seen a one 15 cabinet .....or is this a combo unit?

I thought Jensen's were only used in the guitar cabinets, same as the 130's. Aren't the 140's bass, or am I confused? The literature sections lists this as a guitar cabinet not bass with the 130 in it. Sounds like this is a mixed match set unless it has the CTS speaker then it was a bass cabinet....again according to the literature section.

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Posted by [stevem](#) on Tue, 07 Jul 2015 15:37:35 GMT  
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yes, the D140 and the latter K series are Bass drivers.

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Posted by [Bigshawn](#) on Tue, 07 Jul 2015 18:12:55 GMT  
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Yea the cab is a 140 so it makes it a bass. I've only seen pics and it looked like one speaker bit could be two. And the head is k100\_2 so does that make it a guitar head ? And bass cabinet ?

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab  
Posted by [stevem](#) on Tue, 07 Jul 2015 22:10:17 GMT  
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Yes, the -2 has reverb and tremolo and is a one channel unlike the -1 that is two channel. The k100 cabs fitted with a 15" driver are only one speaker, or one speaker and a horn.

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Posted by [Bigshawn](#) on Tue, 07 Jul 2015 22:33:52 GMT  
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<http://cleveland.craigslist.org/msg/5092581784.html>  
this where you can find a picture. I just want to make sure its a bass setup before I get it

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab  
Posted by [Bigshawn](#) on Tue, 07 Jul 2015 22:51:39 GMT  
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I also have a line on a kasino natural bass amp. for 150 bucks. what are the issues with these amps. I nothing about them

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab  
Posted by [Iowa Boy](#) on Tue, 07 Jul 2015 23:19:10 GMT  
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From the picture I saw and comparing it to the literature section here, looks like a guitar head to me. You could still play bass thru it but will probably be a little on the brassy side.

Guitar Center has a K-250 bass head listed for \$99. You'd find that has a much better sound quality over the K-100's or even the K-200's since it does have the bass boost circuit in it. 2-15's cabinets are pretty plentiful as well and usually around the \$200 or so mark. I picked up a 2-15's for \$90 just a couple of weeks ago.

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab  
Posted by [stevem](#) on Tue, 07 Jul 2015 23:34:57 GMT  
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If it only has one Jack on the right hand face of the amp then that's for the foot switch and its a guitar head.

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab  
Posted by [pleat](#) on Tue, 07 Jul 2015 23:59:22 GMT  
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The head is the K100-2 reverb head. The cabinet is the 1x15" speaker cabinet, but it would be hard to tell what speaker the cabinet has in it. Kustom never offered that cabinet with JBL D140F, only the JBL D130F. Another thing to consider is that if the cabinet has the Jensen or CTS speaker, the impedance is 16 ohms, and the amp wants an 8 ohm load for maximum output. The power will be around 35 watts RMS with the 16 ohm speaker. (Stevenm correct me if I'm wrong on

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the power) Not much power for playing bass.

The price on the amp and cabinet is a great price and looks to be in good shape.

The Kasino Natural Bass amp is 75 watts RMS driving the single 15 CTS 8 ohm speaker. I'd say for bass, the Kasino has advantages, better wattage, better designed bass cabinet, just not the cool factor of having T&R on stage.

pleat

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab  
Posted by [stevem](#) on Wed, 08 Jul 2015 10:26:17 GMT  
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Pleat, where the K150 cabinets offered with a D140 driver?

Yes, that's all the wattage you will get when driving a 16 ohm load!

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab  
Posted by [pleat](#) on Wed, 08 Jul 2015 20:23:38 GMT  
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The K150 cabinets that were offered with the K150 slant metal face amps. The bass cab was offered with 2x12 CTS speakers. The guitar cabs were offered with 2x12 KEI speakers or the single 15 KEI and rectangular Flaired horn.

JBL's were only offered in the 2x15 and 3x15 cabs in both the D130 and D140 models.

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab  
Posted by [Bigshawn](#) on Wed, 08 Jul 2015 20:30:52 GMT  
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Again I want to thank you guys for all the info and time you took to respond . I didn't get either amp. I will find one soon hopefully

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab  
Posted by [Kustom\\_Bart](#) on Thu, 09 Jul 2015 08:47:15 GMT  
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I would've picked it up and installed an right ohm speaker to get double the power and you would be fine with a bass. It is going to sound the same as a K100-1 head as long as you don't turn the effects on. Jensen makes some really nice low end drivers for 100-130 bucks that are 40hz up. I

have a pair of 15" ers in my cabs for subs. They really thump!

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab

Posted by [C4ster](#) on Thu, 09 Jul 2015 16:38:12 GMT

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Pleat, in response to your statement that the K100's didn't come with a D140, the 1x15 on the cover of the 100 catalog is a D140. The specs are above the 4 amps on page 2. I did pick up 2 1x15's over the years and the first thing I did was pull out the CTS speakers and replace them with JBL E140's. They are 8 ohm speakers to get the full output. Too light to be used for stage volume without help but will work great with a DI box into a PA or for small venue work.

Conrad

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab

Posted by [pleat](#) on Thu, 09 Jul 2015 18:25:26 GMT

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Conrad, I stand corrected, you are right they did offer the 115 cab with both the D130F or the D140F and is also listed in the price sheet.

pleat

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Subject: Re: kustom 100 with cab

Posted by [C4ster](#) on Thu, 09 Jul 2015 19:36:37 GMT

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The 1x15 is a sweet cabinet with JBL's in them. I use E series speakers because I love the rich sound . But that comes with a price, weight. The E series speakers run about 22 pounds and that really taxes the handles and my hernia but with the wheels and strong sons, I manage.

Conrad

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