

Lang Percussion

MILLENNIUM EDITION 2000

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This is a 6 piece kit crafted by Arnie Lang of Lang Percussion. The shells, made by Global Drum Works, are African mozambique wood, block design with maple inlay complemented with 24k gold plated hardware. Sizes are 5.5 x 14, 8 x 10, 9 x 12, 11 x 14, 13 x 14 and 14 x 20 bass drum. DW stands and double foot pedal, Purecussion R.I.M.S. system, and Remo heads complete the kit. A Remo 12" pandiero is included with the kit. All drums have the Gladstone 3-way tuning system. The inlays read "Lang Percussion Gladstone Millenium Edition 2000".

There are several features that are truly remarkable about the set. One important factor is that the shell thickness is directly proportional to the shell size, starting at 1/4" for the 10" tom to 1/2" for the bass drum! I believe that this is part of the reason that the drums are so sonically matched. The range

of tone is astonishing!

Not only is this the best sounding kit I've ever heard, it's also the most beautiful. Another feature that is extremely impressive is that the inlay is also in proportion to the shell size. An incredible amount of work went into this kit. Arnie Lang is a true craftsman. I play them every day (except for the snare, which I keep in a display case) with much inspiration. A truly excellent instrument will inspire you. It is the only set that Arnie made, so it is truly one of a kind. I am extremely proud and grateful to own them.

