



# ddrum signature snare drums

A trio of signature snares made for some of today's heaviest hitters

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## HEADS UP DDRUM SIGNATURE SNARE DRUMS

### Price:

- Carmine Appice Signature model: £509
- Shawn Drover Signature model: £274
- Dave Lombardo Signature model: £305

### ▲ UPBEATS:

- Fantastic appearances, particularly the Carmine Appice model
- Overall great value for money
- Great sound of the Dave Lombardo model

### ▼ DOWNBEATS:

- Slight disappointment with wrap finish/looks of the Dave Lombardo model

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For nearly 30 years ddrum has been a name mostly associated with the electronic side of the percussion market – their electronic kits have been a recognisable name on the market for quite some time, while their acoustic pro and redshot triggers are used by many of the world's top players to help boost their live sound. More recently, however, ddrum have become synonymous with acoustic drums as used by many of today's heaviest-hitting rock and metal drummers, with endorsers such as Carmine and Vinny Appice, Vinnie Paul and Scott Rockenfield. Here we have a trio of signature snare drums, designed in collaboration with three of the company's highest-profile endorsers – Dave Lombardo, Carmine Appice and Shawn Drover – with each drum being quite different from the other ...

## CARMINE APPICE SIGNATURE MODEL

The first and most noticeable thing about this 14x5" drum is the exquisite swirling leaf design and ddrum/Carmine Appice logo engraved into its heavy-duty (and heavyweight) 6.5mm highly polished brass shell, along with its



gold-coloured bullet-style tube lugs (cushioned from the superb shell with rubber washers), gold 2.3mm triple-flanged hoops and gold tension rods, making this one of the most aesthetically appealing drums I've ever seen. Complete with a precision snare throw to hold in place a 20-strand snare wire and Remo-made coated batter with thin resonant head, this drum just screams out to be played. With a price tag of £509, this drum is quite an investment; but looking at what you get for the money, along with its excellent build quality, it would be a well-justified one, as although Carmine Appice is a name normally associated with the legends of rock drumming, this is certainly not simply a one-dimensional, rock-orientated instrument. In use, this drum sounds just as you would imagine – loud and punchy with all of the exquisite tones you would

