



**NATAL**

hand made to be hand played

# Heritage

Since 1965, Natal has consistently produced revolutionary hand crafted percussion instruments, played and loved by drummers and percussionists around the world.

Originally conceived in the late '50s, Natal has enjoyed huge success, especially with their revolutionary fibreglass congas during the '60s, and found favour with some of the world's biggest bands. Natal was soon to be seen on stage with bands such as Fleetwood Mac, Led Zeppelin, Santana, T Rex and The Rolling Stones.

Sales throughout Europe grew rapidly, with large numbers of Congas exported to France, Germany, and Holland and even as far as New Zealand and Australia. By 1972, Natal was being shipped worldwide and testament to their popularity and reputation, Natal even shipped Conga's to Africa, the inspirational home of drumming.

Throughout the '90s, and due to an ever-changing musical climate, Natal entered a new phase, with the design and manufacture of

their first wood Bongos and Congas, now known as the Fusion Series. So successful was the Fusion Series, due to their unique warm natural wood sound, that Natal went on to produce two further wood ranges, The Spirit and The Fuego Series'.

More recent times have seen Natal Percussion take a step forward into a brand new dimension after the acquisition by another British company with a proud reputation and renowned musical heritage – Marshall Amplification. The connection between the two companies originally began back in the '60s when founder Dr Jim Marshall OBE, a talented drummer himself, sold Natal Percussion from his London music store – the very store in fact, where the first Marshall amplifiers were built.

This latest chapter in Natal's history promises to be a hugely creative one and has already seen the development of a vast array of brand new drums and now a complete range of hand percussion, on display throughout this catalogue.

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"I've chosen **Natal** products not only for their sound which still remains as **authentic** as back in the '60s and '70s, but also because you get the feeling that your drum is **personal, unique and hand crafted**, every slap and tone filled with a rock 'n' roll heritage and the love with which it was made."

**Sudha Kheterpal**  
Faithless/Dido



# Fuego Series

The Fuego Series is specifically designed for those venturing into the world of Afro-Cuban percussion. Featuring Congas, Bongos & Conguitas, the Fuego range embodies the exact same build quality, depth of finish and attention to detail that's present throughout all of our percussion ranges.

The traditionally hand crafted Siam Oak shells and natural hide heads produce a warm, rounded and full-bodied tone, while the

chrome-plated 'Comfort Hoop' rims and hardware provide both superior strength and elegant styling, together with improved playing techniques due to the design.

With four stain finishes available – Natural, Honey, Red and Black – both the Fuego Conga and Conguita sets come complete with fully adjustable, double braced chrome-plated stands, so ask your local Natal dealer for more info and try the Fuego Series for yourself!

## Fuego Congas Sets

Siam Oak • 10 & 11 inch • Natural hide heads  
Chrome plated 'Comfort Hoop' rims and hardware  
Conga stand included

## Fuego Conguitas Set

Siam Oak • 8 & 9 inch • Natural hide heads  
Chrome plated 'Comfort Hoop' rims and hardware  
Conguita stand included

## Fuego Bongos

Siam Oak • 6 & 7 inch • Natural hide heads  
Chrome plated 'Comfort Hoop' rims and hardware

## Fuego Series Product Codes

	Natural	Honey	Red	Black
<b>Fuego Conguitas</b>	NSC89-MAN	-	-	-
<b>Fuego Congas</b>	NGU1011-MCN	NGU1011-MCH	NGU1011-RHC	NGU1011-BHC
<b>Fuego Bongos</b>	NFU67N-MCN	NFU67N-MCH	NFU67R-HC	NFU67B-HC



# Spirit Series

Designed in the UK and manufactured at our Thailand factory, the Spirit Series features Quintos, Congas, Tumbas and Bongos. The shells are expertly crafted from Siam Oak, delivering a fantastic tone when combined with the natural hide heads and steel 'Comfort Hoop' rims. As with all of our ranges, the Spirit Series is subject to stringent quality control and embodies the exact same build quality, depth of finish and complete attention to detail throughout. The Siam Oak used to craft the Spirit Shells is sourced from environmentally and socially responsible timber sources.

Available in Quinto (10"), Conga (11") and Tumba (12"), all Spirit Congas offer astounding low-end tone together with maximum sound projection. The Spirit Series also offers the widest selection of standard finishes across any of our ranges. From Natural wood, to metallic silver, there's a style available to suit every drummer's individual taste!

A fully adjustable basket stand is also included with every Conga in the Spirit Series.

## Spirit Series Product Codes

	Natural	Honey	Red	Blue	Green	Charcoal	M Silver	M Red	M Green
<b>Quinto/Conga Set</b>	NS1011N	NS1011H	NS1011R	NS1011B	NS1011G	NS1011CG	NS1011MS	NS1011MR	NS1011MG
<b>Conga/Tumba Set</b>	NS1112N	NS1112H	NS1112R	NS1112B	NS1112G	NS1112CG	NS1112MS	NS1112MR	NS1112MG
<b>Bongos</b>	NS6575N	NS6575H	NS6575R	NS6575B	NS6575G	NS6575CG	NS6575MS	NS6575MR	NS6575MG



## Spirit Quintos, Congas and Tumbas Sets

Siam Oak • 10, 11 & 12 inch • Natural Hide heads  
Steel 'Comfort Hoop' rims • Heavy-duty tuning bolts  
Adjustable basket stand included



## Spirit Bongos

Siam Oak • 6.5 & 7.5 inch • Natural Hide Heads • Steel 'Comfort Hoop' rims  
Heavy-duty tuning bolts



## Resonance Block

The exclusively designed 'Resonance Block' minimises surface contact and enables the Spirit Bongo shells to produce a longer, freer and more resonant tone. The specially designed, heavy-duty dedicated Spirit Bongo stand is both height and tilt adjustable and attaches directly to the underside of the Resonance Block, using a locking hand wheel.



# Fusion Series

The Fusion Series is the culmination of decades of research, development and traditional construction techniques. The Fusion Series is based on our original wood percussion range, first seen setting the standard during the 1980's, and offers Quintos, Congas, Tumbas and Bongos. All shells are expertly crafted from hand selected US Ash Wood and deliver a warmer traditional sound in comparison to that of fibreglass.

The Fusion Series also features hand-lapped natural hide heads, steel 'Comfort Hoop' rims,

heavy-duty tuning bolts and a high chrome protection ring on Congas to prevent damage when playing in a traditional seated position. A fully adjustable basket stand is also included with every Conga throughout the Fusion Series.

A selection of stain finishes are available which protect and enhance the natural grain of the premium US Ash Wood Shells.

## Fusion Series Product Codes

	Limed	Zebra	Mahogany	Black
<b>Fusion Quintos</b>	NC-CS-QL	NC-CS-QZ	NC-CS-QM	NC-CS-QBAS
<b>Fusion Congas</b>	NC-CS-CL	NC-CS-CZ	NC-CS-CM	NC-CS-CBA
<b>Fusion Congas</b>	NC-CS-TL	NC-CS-TZ	NC-CS-TM	NC-CS-TBA
<b>Fusion Bongos</b>	NC-CSBL	NC-CSBZ	NC-CSBM	NC-CSBBA



### Fusion Quintos, Congas and Tumbas

Ash wood • 10, 11 & 12 inch respectively  
 Natural Hide heads • Steel 'Comfort Hoop' rims  
 Heavy-duty tuning bolts • Adjustable basket stand included

### Fusion Bongos

Ash wood • 6.5 & 7.5 inch • Natural Hide Heads  
 Steel 'Comfort Hoop' rims Heavy-duty tuning bolts



*"I can tell you that Natal simply cuts it both live and in the studio and that makes it easy for me to just get on with the playing."*

**Ian Matthews**  
 Kasabian



# Classic Series

Our Classic Series revisits the original fibreglass designs that led to Natal becoming hugely popular throughout the '60s and '70s. Legendary groups such as Santana, The Rolling Stones, Fleetwood Mac and Led Zeppelin could regularly be seen on stage using Natal percussion, favoured for their superior volume, strength, style and unique sound.

So faithful is the process of manufacturing the Classic Tumbas, Congas, Quintos and Bongos, that it even involves utilising the original shell moulds and even the badge remains faithful to the original – now that's authenticity for you.

All models come complete with steel "Comfort Hoop" rims, heavy-duty tuning bolts and hand lapped heads.

## Classic Quintos, Congas and Tumbas

Fibreglass • 10, 11 & 12 inch respectively  
Natural Hide heads • Steel 'Comfort Hoop' rims  
Heavy-duty tuning bolts



## Classic Bongos

Fibreglass • 6.5 & 7.5 inch • Natural Hide Heads  
Steel 'Comfort Hoop' rims • Full-length tuning bolts

## Classic Series Product Codes

	Black	Red	White	Blk/Rd	Blk/Yllw	Wht/Bl
<b>Classic Quintos</b>	NCSQ02B	NCSQ01R	NCSQ04W	-	-	-
<b>Classic Conga</b>	NCSC02B	NCSC01R	NCSC04W	-	-	-
<b>Classic Tumbas</b>	NCST02B	NCST01R	NCST04W	-	-	-
<b>Classic Bongos</b>	NCSB02B	NCSB01R	NCSB04W	-	-	-
<b>Splatter 11/12 Sets</b>	-	-	-	NCSFC-BR	NCSFC-BY	NCSFC-WB
						
	Brass	Bronze	Nickel			
<b>Timbales 10/12</b>	NT1012TBRA	NT1012TBRO	NT1012TNIC			
<b>Timbales 12/13</b>	NT1213TBRA	NT1213TBRO	NT1213TNIC			
<b>Timbales 13/14</b>	NT1314TBRA	NT1314TBRO	NT1314TNIC			

## Classic Timbales

The Classic Series also features 10" + 12", 12" + 13" and 13" + 14" timbale sets. Fitted with Aquarian heads, either nickel, bronze, copper or brass hammer-finished shells, heavy-duty rims and tuning bolts, these drums create that authentic 'Latin' sound and allow for high tension tuning. The Classic timbale sets are supplied with a fully adjustable and heavy-duty stand which also includes a cowbell mounting post\*.

## Special Edition Classic Series

The Classic Series also features a collection of Special Edition 'Splatter' finishes. Based on those revered '60's originals, no two Special Edition Congas are the same as each one is individually 'splattered' by hand. The Special Edition Classic Conga set is available in 11" + 12" and you can choose from Black/Red, Black/Yellow and White/Blue Splatter finishes.



\*Cowbells sold separately.

# Cubana Series

Natal's legendary Cubana series are the ultimate in professional percussion instruments. Entirely handbuilt at our UK production facility, these renowned Congas and Bongos have been providing musicians with world-class percussion since the 1960's.

Still made to the same proven design and using the original 1960s shell moulds, the 'Fibreglass Series' and now due to popular demand the 'Ash Series', Congas feature the original ultra light-weight Aluminium "Comfort Hoop" rim, for a brighter sound, heavy-duty tuning bolts and hand-lapped natural hide

heads. The Cubana Bongos are manufactured using the same high-grade materials and precision craftsmanship, with full-length tuning bolts to create a robust and truly uniquely voiced instrument.

The Cubana Series are now also available in Ash for more traditional style percussionists, due to their warmer tone characteristics. The Cubana 'Ash Series' Congas and Bongos feature ultra light-weight Aluminium "Comfort Hoop" rims, heavy-duty tuning bolts, hand-lapped natural hide heads and like the rest of the Cubana Series, are entirely handbuilt in the UK.

The Cubana Series Bongos, Congas, Quintos and Tumbas really are the definitive Vintage product . . . and all available brand new!

## Cubana Quintos, Congas and Tumbas

Fibreglass • 10, 11 & 12 inch respectively  
Natural Hide heads • Aluminium 'Comfort Hoop' rims  
Heavy-duty tuning bolts

## Cubana Fact

The Cubana Series is still made to the exact same proven design utilising the exact original shell moulds from 1961!



## Cubana Bongos

Fibreglass • 6.5 & 7.5 inch • Natural Hide Heads  
Aluminium 'Comfort Hoop' rims • Full-length tuning bolts

## Custom Cubana

The Custom Cubana Series is manufactured entirely in the UK and feature hand-lapped heads and the ultra-lightweight Aluminium "Comfort Hoop" to produce that sharp bright authentic sound.

Both the 'Fibreglass Series' and the 'Ash Series' are available in a huge variety of custom finishes. Choose from single colours, two-tone colours, glitters, faded tones, heat sensitive paint finishes or even use your very own personal design!



# Hand Percussion

We also produce an entire range of innovative and varied handheld percussion along with a wide selection of traditional African instruments which would compliment every percussionists increasing assortment of sound!

These include:- African Djembes, African Dun Duns, African Shakers, Cabasas, Cajons, Cajon Bongos, Caxixis, Claves, Cowbells, Ganza Shakers, Guiros, Mounted Tambourines, Wood Shakers, Shekeres, Talking Shakers, Tambourines, Bar Chimes, Blocks and Tube Shakers.



# Cajons

With its origins in Peruvian music, the Cajon was adopted by Spanish musicians during the '70s and is used extensively in Flamenco music. Since then, it has become an essential part of the percussionist's set-up. Also widely used now as a highly portable 'drum set', Natal's range of expertly crafted, traditional Cajons feature fully adjustable snare wires, a selection of front finishes, rubber feet and are available in two different sizes.

Cajon Product Codes				
Finish	Burl	Mahogany	Red	Black
Cajon Large	CJAN-L-SW-MC	CJAN-L-GS-AM	CJAN-L-SW-AR	CJAN-L-SW-AB
Cajon X Large	CJAN-XL-SW-MC	-	CJAN-XL-SW-AR	CJAN-XL-SW-AB



**Cajons**  
Ash wood • Adjustable Snare • Rubber Feet





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