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Alesis STRIKEAMP12MK2

Alesis Strike Amp 12 MK2-2500W Drum Amp Speaker

Model: STRIKEAMP12MK2 | Brand: Alesis

Product Overview

The Alesis Strike Amp 12 MK2 is a powerful 2500-watt drum amplifier designed for electronic drum sets and multipads. It provides clear and impactful sound reproduction, optimized for both acoustic and electronic drum sounds. This amplifier features versatile positioning options, Bluetooth connectivity for wireless audio streaming, and comprehensive input/output options for various setups.

Key Features:

- **Heavy-Duty Drum Amplifier:** Delivers 2500W of peak power for clarity, punch, and ample headroom.
- **Easy Streaming:** Bluetooth 5.0 enables wireless audio streaming from mobile devices.
- **Updated Electrical Design:** Features a specially-voiced 12-inch woofer and HF compression driver for enhanced clarity and accuracy.
- **Versatile Positions:** Lightweight, flexible, and sturdy wedge design allows for upright, wedge, or pole-mounted configurations.
- **Hook-Up Flexibility:** Includes two Combo XLR + 1/4" inputs with independent volume controls and an XLR direct output.
- **Adapts to Any Stage or Room:** HPF EQ switch for cutting through muddy mixes and a Ground-Lift switch to eliminate grounding noise.



Front view of the Alesis Strike Amp 12 MK2, showcasing its robust grille and Alesis Drums branding. This amplifier is designed to deliver powerful and clear sound for electronic drum kits.

What's in the Box

Upon unboxing your Alesis Strike Amp 12 MK2, you should find the following components:

- STRIKE AMP 12 MK2 Unit
- Power Cable
- Quickstart Guide
- Safety & Warranty Manual

Setup

Positioning the Amplifier:

The Strike Amp 12 MK2 offers multiple positioning options to suit various environments:

- **Wedge Position:** Lay the amplifier horizontally on the floor with the speaker angled upwards. This is ideal for use as a stage monitor, allowing the performer to hear their drums clearly.
- **Upright Position:** Stand the amplifier vertically. This configuration is suitable for general room amplification or when space is limited.

- **Pole-Mounted:** The amplifier can be mounted on a standard speaker pole stand using the integrated pole mount socket. This elevates the speaker for wider sound dispersion, often used in live performance settings.

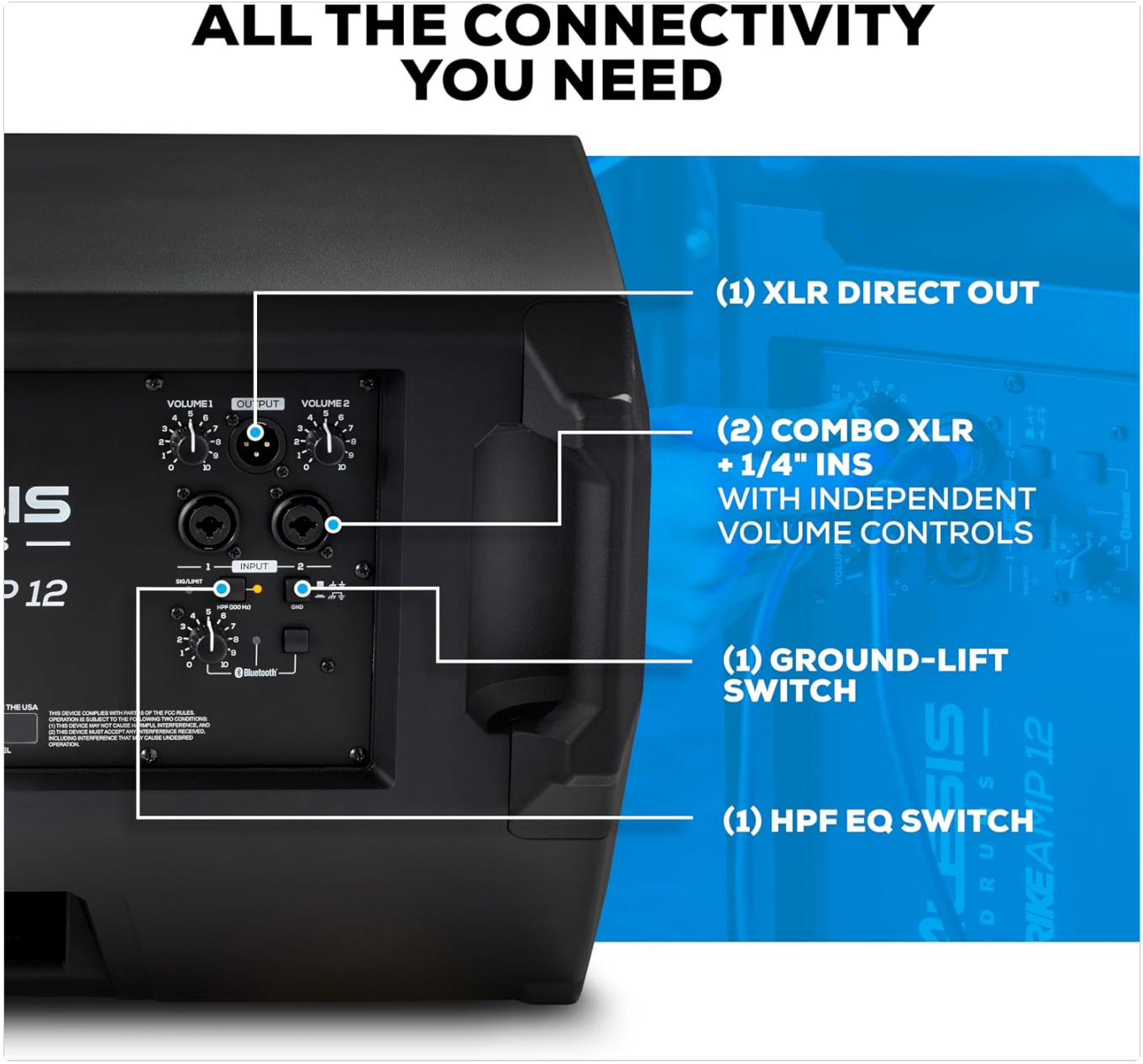


The Alesis Strike Amp 12 MK2 can be positioned as a wedge monitor, upright, or pole-mounted for optimal sound projection in various settings.

Connecting Your Equipment:

The rear panel of the Strike Amp 12 MK2 provides all necessary connections for your electronic drum kit or other audio sources.

- **Power Connection:** Connect the included power cable to the AC INPUT on the rear panel and to a suitable power outlet. Ensure the power switch is in the OFF position before connecting.
- **Audio Inputs:** Use the two Combo XLR + 1/4" inputs to connect your electronic drum module, multipad, or other audio devices. Each input has an independent volume control.
- **XLR Direct Output:** Use the XLR output to send your mixed signal to a front-of-house mixer, recording interface, or to link another Strike Amp 12 MK2 for a stereo setup or increased volume.



Detailed view of the rear panel connections, including Volume 1 and 2 controls, XLR output, Combo XLR + 1/4" inputs, HPF EQ switch, Ground-Lift switch, and Bluetooth pairing button.

Operating Instructions

Powering On/Off:

To power on the unit, ensure all connections are secure, then flip the POWER switch to the ON position. To power off, flip the switch to the OFF position.

Adjusting Volume:

Use the VOLUME 1 and VOLUME 2 knobs to adjust the input levels for each connected device independently. The overall output volume will be a combination of these levels.

Bluetooth Streaming:

The Strike Amp 12 MK2 features integrated Bluetooth 5.0 for wireless audio streaming. To pair a device:

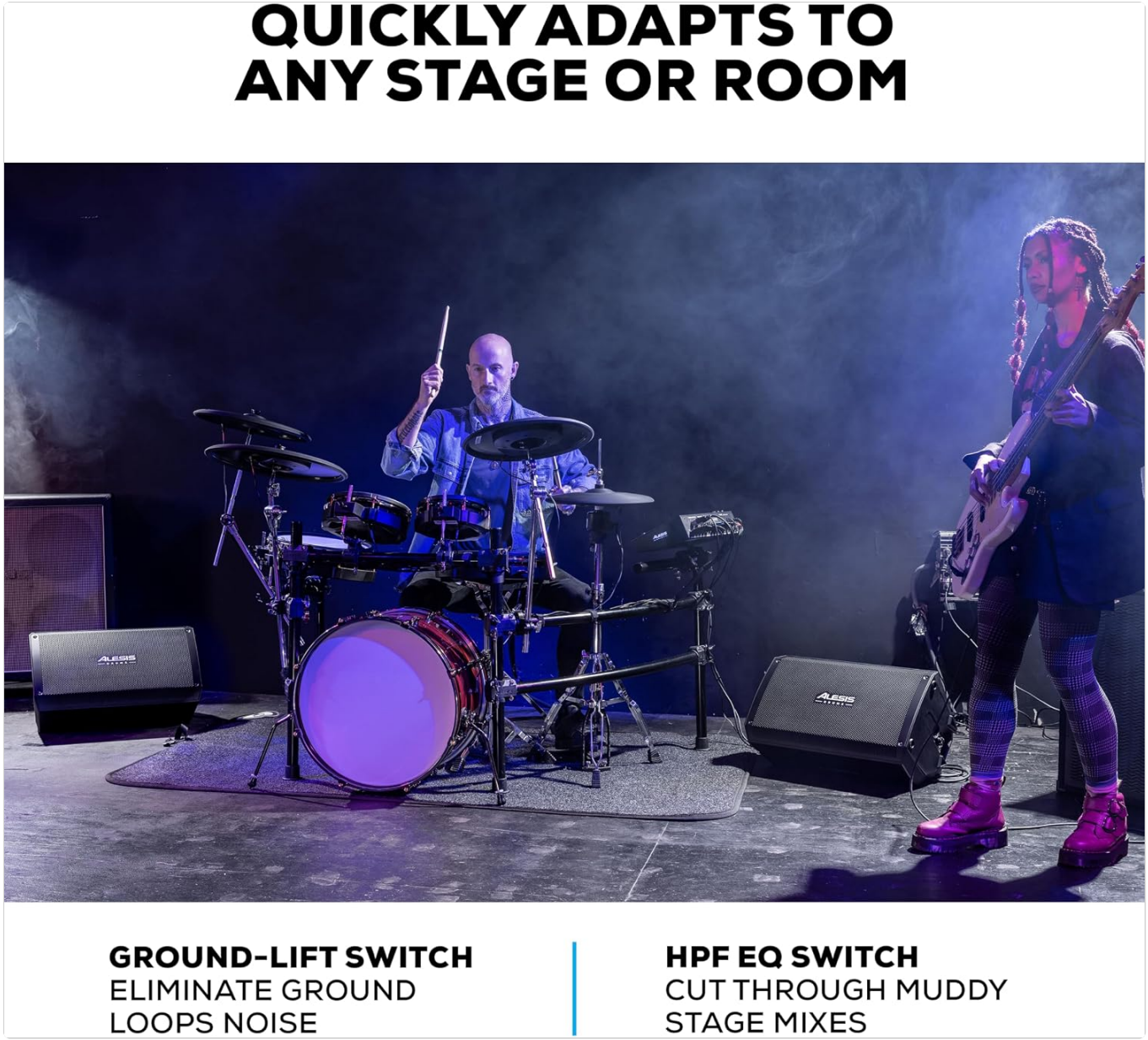
1. Ensure the amplifier is powered on.
2. Activate Bluetooth on your mobile device (smartphone, tablet, etc.).
3. Press the Bluetooth pairing button on the amplifier's rear panel. The Bluetooth indicator light will flash.
4. Select "Alesis Strike Amp 12" from the list of available devices on your mobile device.
5. Once paired, the indicator light will be solid, and you can stream audio wirelessly.



Wireless Bluetooth streaming allows you to play along with your favorite tracks directly through the amplifier.

EQ and Ground-Lift Switches:

- **HPF EQ Switch:** Engages a High-Pass Filter (HPF) to cut low frequencies. This can be useful in live settings to reduce muddiness and help the drum sounds cut through the mix more clearly.
- **Ground-Lift Switch:** Helps eliminate hum or buzz caused by ground loops. If you experience unwanted noise, try toggling this switch.



The HPF EQ and Ground-Lift switches allow the amplifier to adapt to various acoustic environments and eliminate unwanted noise.

Maintenance

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your Alesis Strike Amp 12 MK2.

- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, dry cloth to clean the exterior of the amplifier. Avoid using abrasive cleaners, solvents, or harsh chemicals, as these can damage the finish.
- **Storage:** When not in use for extended periods, store the amplifier in a cool, dry place, away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures.
- **Ventilation:** Ensure that the amplifier's ventilation openings are not blocked during operation to prevent overheating.
- **Cable Management:** Periodically check all cables for signs of wear or damage. Replace any damaged cables immediately to prevent electrical hazards or signal loss.

Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your Alesis Strike Amp 12 MK2, refer to the following common troubleshooting steps:

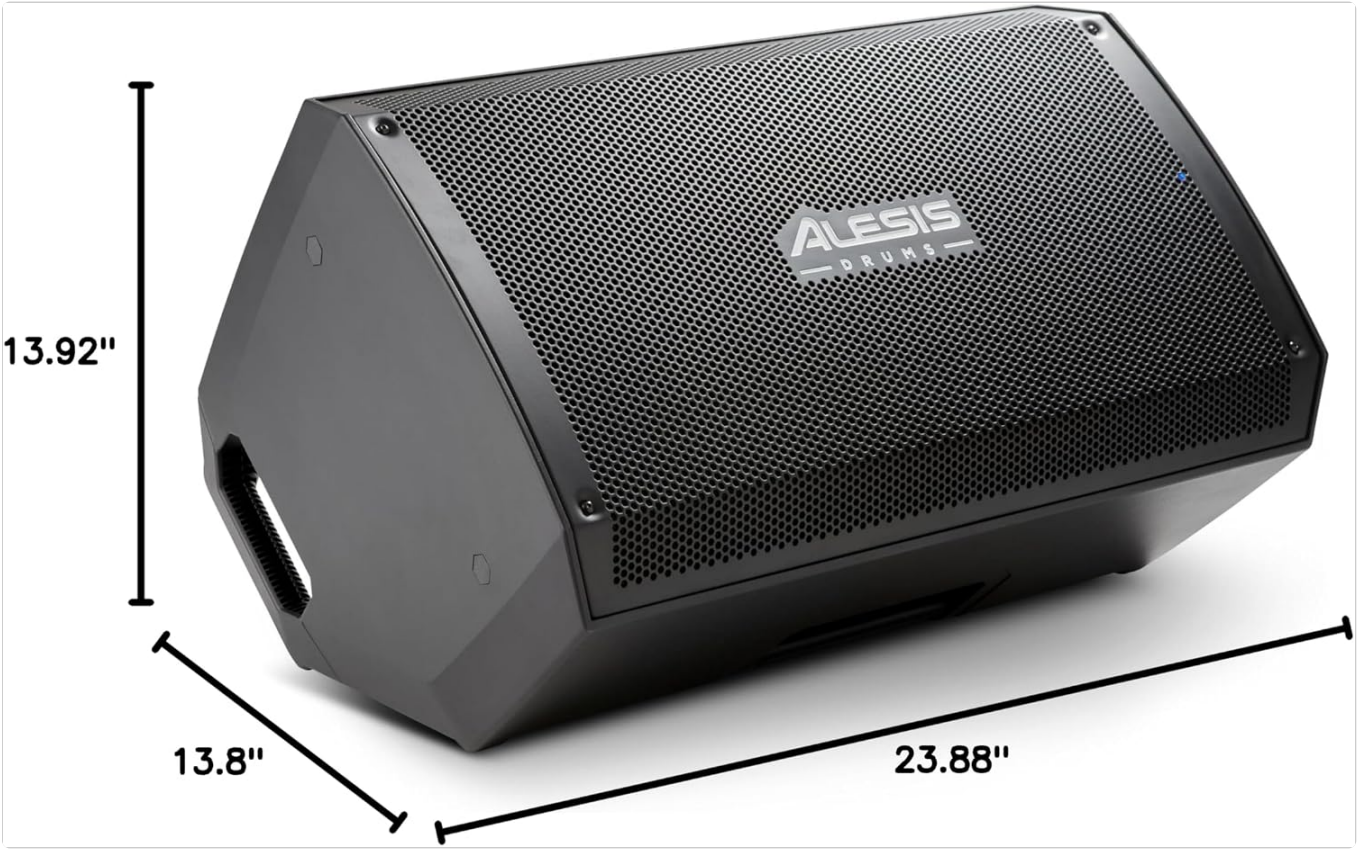
- **No Power:**
  - Ensure the power cable is securely connected to both the amplifier and a working power outlet.
  - Verify that the power switch is in the ON position.
  - Check the power outlet by plugging in another device.
- **No Sound:**
  - Check that the VOLUME 1 and VOLUME 2 knobs are turned up.
  - Ensure your audio source (drum module, multipad) is powered on and its output volume is sufficient.
  - Verify that audio cables are correctly connected to the inputs and are not damaged.
  - If using Bluetooth, ensure the device is properly paired and audio is playing.
- **Humming or Buzzing Noise:**
  - Try engaging the Ground-Lift switch on the rear panel.
  - Ensure all audio cables are properly shielded and in good condition.
  - Move the amplifier or cables away from potential sources of electromagnetic interference (e.g., power supplies, fluorescent lights).
- **Distorted Sound:**
  - Reduce the input volume from your audio source or the VOLUME knobs on the amplifier.
  - Ensure the HPF EQ switch is set appropriately for your sound.
  - Check for damaged speaker cones or loose connections.

If problems persist after attempting these steps, consult the Safety & Warranty Manual or contact Alesis customer support.

Technical Specifications

Feature	Specification
Model Number	STRIKEAMP12MK2
Item Weight	35.3 pounds
Product Dimensions	13.8 x 13.92 x 23.88 inches
Output Wattage	2500 watts (Peak)
Woofer Size	12 inch
Bluetooth Version	5.0
Connector Type	TRS, XLR
Material Type	Plastic

Power Source	AC Adapter
Country of Origin	China



Dimensions of the Alesis Strike Amp 12 MK2: 13.8 inches (width) x 13.92 inches (height) x 23.88 inches (depth).

Warranty and Support

For detailed warranty information and technical support, please refer to the "Safety & Warranty Manual" included in your product packaging. You can also visit the official Alesis website for product registration, FAQs, and contact information for customer service.

Online Resources:

- Alesis Official Website
- Alesis Support Page

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