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The most important "key" part of every microphone is the acoustic-electric transducer. The capsule determines the musical tone and the character of the sound of the microphone. We are offering "instruments-tools" for music recording day balancing of all the mentioned factors to artists and creative sound engineers. All of our capsules have special designed sound character and tone.

Capsule quality begins from deep and right understanding of sound sources, musical tones. audio recording laws, principles and situations.

Experience and talent of microphone "guru" Mr. Juris Zarins and his team lets you realize the above knowledge in the correct capsule designs.

Further factors are development of unique manufacturing technology and tools, and use of right selected best quality materials and components.

Next factors are the highest qualification and experience of the factory people - accuracy and precision of manufacturing processes. including machining of mechanical parts, sputtering of diaphragms, scruple hand assembling and perfect capsule tuning.

Final factor are complex quality control, including visual, mechanical an electric check, control measurements and the most important subjective audio tests at the very end.



Capsule manufacturing process is mplex and quality can be affected by hundreds of factors.

Only competence, experience and every results in perfect product.



Today, all Violet microphones are equipped with "Golden Drops" capsules - latest technology in diaphragm coating. We split the golden layer into many small segments, what decreases movement inertia of diaphragm, improving transient processes in it. This reduces distortions and improves overall sound quality.





Most mass stamped cheap condenser capsules begin to age, distort and stick after 1-2 years, capsule parameters are not identical and stable, and sonically they are less musical and not so right sounding for our ears.

Our capsules have very low tonal and reaction differences, and they are stable in time.

That is the reason why you will always know what sound will you get buying the Violet Design microphone. You can be sure for quality and lifetime.



Most condenser microphones cover wide applications in recording studio, but for every recording situation you can find one good microphone which, without any corrections, sounds the best for this concrete situation. This is a reason for users to have a microphone collection, and for us to offer wide assortment of different sounding microphones.

TIP : Vacuum tube electronics and large output transformer provide analog warms sound.

JSM shockmount included





Garnet Power Supply Unit

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The Garnet

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With VD47 capsule and 9 polar diagrams you will bring back most famous vintage classical sound in your studio.



The Garnet

The Garnet is tube microphone with VD47 large dual diaphragm capsule.

The internal preamplifier is based on class-A discrete vacuum tube circuit designed under the highest audiophile standards. Microphone provides 9 selectable polar patterns from "Omni" to "Cardioid" to "Figure of Eight" with 9 mini switches on front panel of power supply.



Microphone is recommended for wide range of lead sound sources recording.

A soft-start PSU is coming with Garnet. Included JSM elastic shockmount protects microphone from stand rumble, subsonic vibrations and external shocks.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Transducer type	electrostatic
Operating principle	pressure gradient
Diaphragm's active diameter	26 mm
Frequency range	
Polar pattern	
Output impedance	
Rated load impedance	
Suggested load impedance	>250 ohms
Sensitivity at 1000 Hz	
into 1000 ohms load	
S/N Ratio CCIR 468-3 weighted	
S/N Ratio DIN/IEC 651 A-weighted	86 dB-A
Equivalent noise level	
DIN/IEC A-weighted	8 dB-A
Maximum SPL for 0.5% THD	150 10
at 1000 ohm load	130 dB
Dynamic range of the internal preamplifier	100 JP
Output connector (microphone)	
output connector (interoptione)	gold plated contacts
Signal polarity (microphone)	toward pressure on a
bigital polarity (inici opiione)	diaphragm produces
	positive polarity
	voltage on XLR pin $#6$
	relativelyto pin #5
Microphones dimensions	H230 x W50 X D30 mm.
and weight	800 g
JSM dimensions	
and weight	200 e
PSU-5 dimensions	H55 x W225 x D185 mm,
and weight	1500 g
Selectable mains voltage,	100/120/220/240V
frequency	AC 45-65 Hz
Mains fuse	250 mA (100/120V),
	125 mA (220/240V)
Power consumption	<20 W





Optional ASM shockmount

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The Amethyst series microphones have functionally optimized design for close use situations, open square grille provides transparent detailed sound.



The Amethyst Standard



The Amethyst Vintage

The Amethyst Standard uses the VD26 large single diaphragm cardioid capsule providing our original, full spectrum medium presenced tone.

Recommended for wide range of instrumental, vocal and speech recording and live sound applications, especially on percussive and stringed instruments.



Amethysts have very well shockmounted capsule.

The Amethyst Vintage uses the VD67 large dual diaphragm cardioid capsule, providing a balanced full range tone with a little presence. Recommended for a wide spectrum of orchestral, vocal and other recordings.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Transducer type e	electrostatic
Operating principle p	pressure gradient
The diaphragms active diameter 2	35 mm (1")
Frequency range 2	30 Hz to 20 kHz
Polar pattern u	
Output impedance 5	30 Ω
Rated load impedance 1	1000 Ω
Suggested load impedance>	> 500 Ω
Sensitivity at 1000 Hz	
into 1000 Ω load 2	31 mV/Pa
S/N Ratio CCIR 468-3 weighted 7	76 dB
S/N Ratio DIN/IEC 651 A-weighted 8	37 dB-A
Equivalent noise level	
DIN/IEC A-weighted 7	dB-A
Maximum SPL for 0.5% THD	
at 1000 Ω load 1	L34 dB
Dynamic range of	
the microphone preamplifier 1	L27 dB
Phantom powering voltage	
on pins 2 양 3 of XLR +	+48 V (+/-4 V)
Current consumption <	< 2 mA
Output connector 3	3-pin XLR male,
g	gold plated contacts
Signal polarity p	positive toward
p	pressure on a
d	liaphragm produces
	positive polarity
-	voltage on XLR pin #2
	elatively to pin #3
Dimensions 1	0 I
Weight 3	
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THE AMETHYST STANDART



THE AMETHYST VINTAGE



TIP: Save your money on expensive shockmounts. The Globe microphone has compact GSM shockmount included.



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The Globe

The Globe series microphones are designed for recording vocal and other lead sound sources. Features integrated multiple pop and shock protection.





The Globe Standard



The Globe Vintage

The Globe Standard microphone uses the VD67 large dual diaphragm cardioid capsule providing a wide spectrum smooth vintage sound with an optimal presence. An universal microphone, recommended for close recording of articulated female vocals and most other full range lead sound sources.

The Globe Vintage microphone uses the VD4'7 large dual diaphragm capsule providing a warm vintage lead tone with a wide presence. Recommended for close recording of male vocals and other relatively compact sounding lead sound sources.



The Globe capsule is triple protected from shocks and vibrations, it is mounted on rubber dampers inside the head, then the head is rubber damped from the body and finally microphone is mounted on the external original construction compact stand shockmount.

SPECIFICATIONS: Standart / Vintage

Transducer type	electrostatic
Operating principal	
Diaphragms active diameter	
Frequency range	$20 \text{ Hz} \pm 0.20 \text{ kHz}$
Polar pattern	
Output impedance	
Rated load impedance	
Suggested load impedance	
1	> 500 12
Sensitivity at 1000 Hz	01/10 W/D-
into 1000Ω load	
S/N Ratio CCIR 468-3 weighted	
S/N Ratio DIN/IEC 651 A-weighted	87 dB-A
Equivalent noise level DIN/IEC	
A-weighted	7 dB-A
Maximum SPL for 0.5% THD	
at 1000 Ω load	134 dB
Dynamic range of	
the microphone preamplifier	127 dB
Phantom powering voltage	
on pins 2 & 3 of XLR	
Current consumption	
Output connector	1
	plated contacts
Signal polarity	positive toward pressure
	on a diaphragm produces
	positive polarity voltage
	on XLR pin #2
	relatively to pin #3
Dimensions	220 mm height,
	44 mm diameter
Weight	350 g

THE GLOBE STANDART



THE GLOBE VINTAGE





Optional VSM-WD studio shock moun



Optional GSM studio shock mount



Optional PSM studio shock moun

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Optional VMC-06 microphone cable

All around workhorse, will save your studio time and money

TIP:



Optional PF-DC-W studio pop filter

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New generation of classics.





The Wedge



The Wedge



The Wedge

The Wedge is designed as our next generation of universal wide application studio microphone providing perfect audio recording quality for affordable price.

Microphone produces cardioid polar pattern, high output, very low self-noise and distortion, and full audio spectrum of sound.



The VD21 true electrostatic single diaphragm capsule uses our latest technologies and is damped from vibrations and resonances.

Acoustically open long double mesh head provides highest sound transparence and naturalness.

Our newly designed metal mesh dual cone surfaces pop filter effectively protects diaphragm from unwanted plosive vocal and speech sounds. Available optionally in Brown, Black and Nickel colors.

SPECIFICATIONS

Transducer type	True electrostatic
Operating principle	Pressure gradient
The diaphragm's active diameter	21 mm (0.8")
Frequency range	20 Hz to 20 kHz
Polar pattern	Unidirectional - cardioid
Electronics type	Discrete, solid state
Output impedance	50 Ω
Rated load impedance	1000 Ω
Suggested load impedance	>250 Ω
Sensitivity at 1 kHz	
into 1 k Ω load	25 mV/Pa
S/N Ratio CCIR 468-3 weighted	77 dB
S/N Ratio DIN/IEC 651 A-weighted	88 dB-A
Equivalent noise level	
DIN/IEC A-weighted	6 dB-A
Maximum SPL for 0.5% THD	
at 1 k Ω load	136 dB
Dynamic range of the	
microphone preamplifier	130 dB
P48 Phantom powering	
IEC 268-15A	+40 to +52 V
	on XLR pins #2 & #3
	relatively pin #1
Phantom current consumption	<1.5 mA
Output connector	3-pin XLR male,
	gold plated contacts
Signal polarity	Positive toward pressure
	on a diaphragm produces
	positive polarity voltage
	on XLR's pin #2
	relatively to pin #3
Dimensions, weight	210 mm x 42 mm/
	shaft D24 mm, 350 g

THE WEDGE



Tip: Just move the head of The Black Knight to change your sound.



Optional VSMD shockmount

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Optional PF-DC-B studio pop filter





The Black Knight

The Bestseller, a perfect alternative to the wide offered Lo-End cheap products.





The Black Knight

The Black Knight microphone uses the VD27 large dual diaphragm cardioid capsule providing a natural wide range detailed sound. Being fully professional it is offered as an universal home studio microphone.



The Black Knight has integrated head's swivel mount giving possibility for easy and fast positioning of capsule head.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Transducer type	
Operating principle	pressure gradient
Diaphragm's active diameter	
Frequency range	
Polar pattern	
Output impedance	50 Ω
Rated load impedance	
Suggested load impedance	>250 Ω
Sensitivity at 1000 Hz	
into 1000 Ω load	33 mV/Pa
S/N Ratio CCIR 468-3 weighted	76.5 dB
S/N Ratio DIN/IEC 651 A-weighted	87.5 dB-A
Equivalent noise level	
DIN/IEC A-weighted	6,5 dB-A
Maximum SPL for 0.5% THD	
at 1000 Ω load	134,5 dB
Dynamic range of	
the internal preamplifier	128 dB
Phantom powering voltage	
on pins #2 & #3 of XLR	+48 V (+/-4 V)
Current consumption	<2 mA
Output connector	3-pin XLR male,
	gold plated contacts
Signal polarity	toward pressure on a
	diaphragm produces
	positive polarity voltage
	on XLR pin #2
	relatively to pin #3
Dimensions	208 mm x 44 mm
Weight	450 g

THE BLACK KNIGHT







The Finger

Originaly designed as an overhead microphone, but excellent at every application.



The Black Finger



The Gold Finger

The Finger microphone uses small single diaphragm cardioid capsule providing close to neutral detailed sound with transparent highs optimal presence and natural low end response. The Finger sounds warmer and more "analog" as most other small diaphragm condenser microphones.



Original accessory for The Finger is the Reflection Ring, you can manipulate with the sound of the Finger using one or even two rings.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Transducer type	
Operating principle	
Diaphragms active diameter	
Frequency range	20 Hz to 20 kHz
Polar pattern	unidirectional, cardioid
Output impedance	50 Ω
Rated load impedance	1000 Ω
Suggested load impedance	> 250 Ω
Sensitivity at 1000 Hz	
into 1000Ω load	12 mV/Pa
S/N Ratio CCIR 468-3 weighted	71 dB
S/N Ratio DIN/IEC 651 A-weighted	82 dB-A
Equivalent noise level	
- DIN/IEC A-weighted	12 dB-A
Maximum SPL for 0.5% THD	
at 1000 Ω load	140 dB
Dynamic range of	
the microphone preamplifier	128 dB
Phantom powering voltage	
on pins 2 & 3 of XLR	+48 V (+/-4 V)
Current consumption	
Output connector	
÷	gold plated contacts
Signal polarity	0 1
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	positive polarity voltage
	on XLR pin #2
	relatively to pin #3
Dimensions	0 1
	shaft diameter
Weight	

THE FINGER





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TIP: The Grand Pearl is very suitable for using in live applications as a handheld stage microphone.

Stand holder included

Optional GSM

shockmount







A microphone for live stage and studio use. Use it everywhere you want to get the same, awaited sound.





The Pearl Standard



The Grand Pearl

The Pearl Standard uses mid-size cardioid capsule providing a wide spectrum vocal sound.

The microphone's high acoustic resolution ensures that the musician always has the maximal control of the stage performance.

The Grand Pearl microphone uses a specially tuned VD47 large dual diaphragm cardioid capsule providing a warm vintage tone with a wide vocal presence.

The microphone is designed for a vocalist handheld or stand use on stage and in studio for superb reproduction of "solid" classic, jazz and pop music vocals.

The Grand Pearlcan be used asmultipurposemicrophoneinhome/projectstudios as well.

SPECIFICATIONS: Standart / Grand

Transducer type	
Operating principle	
Diaphragm's active diameter	
Frequency range	20 Hz to 20 kHz
Polar pattern	
Output impedance	50 Ω
Rated load impedance	1000 Ω
Suggested load impedance	> 250 Ω
Sensitivity at 1000 Hz	
into 1000 Ω load	12/18 mV/Pa
S/N Ratio CCIR 468-3 weighted	71/75 dB
S/N Ratio DIN/IEC 651 A-weighted	82/86 dB-A
Equivalent noise level	
DIN/IEC A-weighted	12/8 dB-A
Maximum SPL for 0.5% THD	
at 1000 Ω load	140/136 dB
Dynamic range of	
the microphone preamplifier	128 dB
Phantom powering voltage	
on pins 2 & 3 of XLR	
Current consumption	< 2 mA
Output connector	3-pin XLR male,
	gold plated contacts
Signal polarity	positive toward pressure
	on a diaphragm produces
	positive polarity voltage
	on XLR pin #2
	relatively to pin #3
Dimensions	207 x 42.5
	head diameter
	(24.5 shaft) mm,
Weight	350 g

THE PEARL STANDART



THE GRAND PEARL





Optional PSM studio shock mount



Optional Reflection Ring

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TIP: Try it on different sound sources and applications.



Optional GSM tudio shock mount

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Optional VMC-06 microphone cable

The Pearl Vocal

Studio quality vocalist microphone for using on stage



The Pearl Vocal

The Pearl Vocal is designed for use with today's modern improved quality P.A. systems as high-end vocal stage microphone.

Microphone provides cardioid polar pattern, high output, very low self-noise and distortion, and full audio spectrum of sound.



The VD21 true electrostatic single diaphragm capsule uses our latest diaphragm technologies and is internally damped from vibrations and resonances providing very low handheld noise. Dual mesh head plus internal dual mesh cone-shape pop filter effectively protects diaphragm from plosive sounds of vocals and speech.

Optional Reflection Ring adds warmth, reduces feedback and protects against wrong handheld use of microphone.

SPECIFICATIONS

Transducer type	
Operating principle	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
The diaphragm's active diameter	
Frequency range	30 Hz to 20 kHz
Polar pattern	Unidirectional - cardioid
Electronics type	Discrete solid state (SS)
Output impedance	50 Ω
Rated load impedance	1000 Ω
Suggested load impedance	>250Ω
Sensitivity at 1 kHz into 1 k Ω load -	12 mV/Pa
S/N Ratio CCIR 468-3 weighted	'70 dB
S/N Ratio DIN/IEC 651 A-weighted	80 dB-A
Equivalent noise level	
DIN/IEC A-weighted	14 dB-A
Maximum SPL for 0.5% THD	
at 1 k Ω load	144 dB
Dynamic range of	
the microphone preamplifier	130 dB
P48 Phantom powering	
IEC 268-15A	+40 to +52 V
	on XLR pins #2 & #3
	relatively pin #1
Phantom current consumption	<1.5 mA
Output connector	3-pin XLR male,
	gold plated contacts
Signal polarity	Positive toward pressure
	on a diaphragm produces
	positive polarity voltage
	on XLR's pin #2
	relatively to pin #3
Dimensions, weight	207 mm x 42 mm /
. –	shaft 24 mm, 250 g

THE PEARL VOCAL



TIP: Limited budget or room, but looking for quality? Look for the little brother – The Junior. Shockmount included.





The Junior

The Junior represents our standards in building quality and sound and as addition has transformer output.





The Junior

The Junior uses the VD26 large single diaphragm cardioid capsule providing our original full spectrum sound with a medium presenced tone.

A shockmounted capsule's head and a custom wound noiseless audio transformer at the output are other bonuses.

Microphone is recommended for wide range of instrumental, vocal and speech studio recording and live sound applications.



The Junior has same head shockmounting system as The Flamingo.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Transducer type	
Operating principle	
Diaphragm's active diameter	
Frequency range	
Polar pattern	
Output impedance	
Rated load impedance	1000 Ω
Suggested load impedance	>250 Ω
Sensitivity at 1000 Hz	
into 1000 Ω load	20,5 mV/Pa
S/N Ratio CCIR 468-3 weighted	76.5 dB
S/N Ratio DIN/IEC 651 A-weighted	87 dB-A
Equivalent noise level	
- DIN/IEC A-weighted	6,5 dB-A
Maximum SPL for 0.5% THD	
at 1000 Ω load	134 dB
Dynamic range of	
the internal preamplifier	127.5 dB
Phantom powering voltage	
on pins #2 & #3 of XLR	+48 V (+/-4 V)
Current consumption	
Output connector	
	gold plated contacts
Signal polarity	0 1
Provide Portario,	on a diaphragm
	produces positive
	polarity voltage on XLR
	pin #2 relatively to pin #3
Dimensions	

THE JUNIOR



TIP: If you have several vintage M heads, get 10 Global Pre instead of one bottle microphone. Very well suits in broadcasting. Each user can use different VIN head.





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The Global Pre



The Global Pre with VIN head



Eight versions of VIN head available

The Global Pre preamplifier body is designed for the use with our VIN-series changeable capsule heads, and it is compatible with Neumann's vintage M?, M8, and M9 series and previously made Blue B-series capsule heads. Preamplifier uses our high-end category class-A solid state electronics circuit. A compact shockmount is included.

The preamplifier body was designed as an alternative to the expensive and noisy vintage vacuum tube preamplifier bodies and it is affordable enough for small studios and even home studios.

The VIN12 head contains large, single diaphragm and a cardioid pattern VD12 capsule.

Very detailed, bright tone with a medium presence, the sound associates with the vintage C12.

The VIN26 head contains a large, single diaphragm, cardioid pattern VD26 capsule. A detailed, medium bright tone with an optimal presence, our original sound merging benefits of the vintage C12 and U67.

The VIN27 head contains a large, dual diaphragm and a cardioid pattern VD27 capsule.

A detailed, close to neutral tone with a smooth presence, our original very universal sound.

The VIN44 head contains a large, single diaphragm, a figure of eight pattern VD44 capsule.

A medium detailed, warm tone with a little voice presence, the sound associates with the vintage ribbon RCA44. **The VIN47** head contains a large, dual diaphragm and a cardioid pattern VD47 capsule.

A medium detailed, warm lead tone with an optimal vocal presence, the sound associates with the vintage U47.

The VIN55 head contains a large, single diaphragm and an omni pattern VD55 capsule.

A very detailed, neutral tone, the sound associates with the vintage M55K.

The VIN67 head contains a large, dual diaphragm and a cardioid pattern VD67 capsule.

A detailed, balanced full range tone with an optimal presence, the sound associates with the vintage U67.

The VIN89 head contains a medium, dual diaphragm and a cardioid pattern VD89 capsule.

A detailed, full range sound with a medium presence, the sound associates with the U89.

THE WIN HEADS





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Power Supply for The Flamingo



The Flamingo Series

Chiefs of the microphones.





The Flamingo Standard



The Flamingo Vintage

The Flamingo series tube microphone includes a large highest quality electrostatic capsule, a vacuum tube electronics circuit and a custom wound noiseless output The internal transformer. preamplifier is based on a class-A, fully discrete vacuum tube electronics, built using the best quality components and carefully selected tube. The transformer provides a fully balanced separated output and a warm tone. The microphone is powered using an external smart power supply.

The Flamingo Standard uses the VD67 large dual diaphragm cardioid capsule providing a wide spectrum smooth vintage sound with an optimal presence.

An universal microphone, recommended for close recording of articulated female vocals and most other full range lead sound sources.

The Flamingo Vintage uses the VD47 large dual diaphragm cardioid capsule providing a warm vintage lead tone with a wide presence. Recommended for close recording of male vocals and other relatively compact sounding lead sound sources.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Transducer type	electrostatic
Operating principle	pressure gradient
Diaphragm's active diameter	26 mm
Frequency range	20 Hz to 20 kHz
Polar pattern	unidirectional - cardioid
Output impedance	100 Ω
Rated load impedance	1000 Ω
Suggested load impedance	>250 Ω
Sensitivity at 1000 Hz	
into 1000 Ω load	26 mV/Pa
S/N Ratio CCIR 468-3 weighted	76 dB
S/N Ratio DIN/IEC 651 A-weighted	87 dB-A
Equivalent noise level	
DIN/IEC A-weighted	7 dB-A
Maximum SPL for 0.5% THD	
at 1000 Ω load	134 dB
Dynamic range of	
the internal preamplifier	127 dB
Mains voltage	switchable
	110/120/220/240 V, 50/60 Hz
AC power's consumption	
Output connector	XLR-7M, gold plated
	contacts
Signal polarity	toward pressure on a
	diaphragm produces
	positive polarity voltage
	on XLR pin #6
	relatively to pin #5
Dimensions	307 mm x 68 mm
Weight	1300 g

THE FLAMINGO STANDART



THE FLAMINGO VINTAGE



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The surface area of the Magic Ear's diaphragm is larger as of traditional 1" capsule. We use an original irregular diaphragm sputtering technology coating calibrated film with a special gold mixture, resulting in resonance free, warm and very natural sounding transducer providing higher than 130dB SPL.

The larger diaphragm surface provides higher output and low frequency response beginning at 16Hz, the same time high frequency response is as transparent as on small size capsule.

Stereo Flamingo

A perfect Juris Zarins capsule's sound quality together with a surprising visual design and a handmade perfection makes it the most adorable stereo microphone in the market.

Suitable for broadcasting and film applications as well as for studio use.

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Year

