

Chart: Dating a STAR drum kit by the features of it's different hardware parts

	badge	type of hoop	lugs (bass drum) number type	lugs (rack toms) number type	lugs (floor tom) number type	tom mount	lugs (snare drum) number type	snare drum: strainer	snare drum: shell material	damper system	cymbal mount	wrap	pedals / hi-hats	remarks	logo	probable year production	of
1.		plastic	8	6	6 see rack tom		8		wood			choice of 'Pearl' (called 'Sparkle' in catalogue) finishes		sticksaver hoops, floor tom with straight legs		1962	
2.		plastic	8	6	6 see rack tom		6		wood / metal			choice of 'Pearl' (called 'Sparkle' in catalogue) finishes		sticksaver hoops, floor tom with straight legs		1963	
3.		plastic	8	6	8 see rack tom		6 or 8		wood / metal			choice of 'Pearl' (called 'Sparkle' in catalogue) finishes				1966	
4.		metal	8	6	8 see rack tom		8		wood							1967	
5.		plastic	6	6	6 see rack tom		6		wood	snare drum, only: damper knob						1967	
6.		metal	8	6	6 see rack tom		8		wood / metal							1967	
7.		?	10	6	8 see rack tom		8		wood							1970	
8.		metal	8	6	8 see rack tom		8		wood / metal / acryl							1970	
9.		plastic	6	6	6 see rack tom		6		wood / metal							1972	
10.		plastic	8	6	6 or 8 see rack tom		6 or 8		wood / metal							1972	
11.		plastic	8	6	6 see rack tom		6 or 8		wood / metal							1972	
12.		metal	8 10	6	8 see rack tom		8		wood / metal							1972	
13.		metal	10	6	8 see rack tom		8									1972	
14.		metal	10	6	8 see rack tom		10		KingBeat: metal							1972	
15.		metal	10	6	8 see rack tom		8		metal			Silver Zoom, Gold Zoom, Mat Black; Metallic: Silver, Gold, Copper, Blue or Red				1973	
16.		acryl	8	6	8 see rack tom		8		acryl			acryl		rare badge		1973	
17.		metal	10	6	8 see rack tom		10		KingBeat: metal			Silver Zoom, Gold Zoom, Mat Black; Metallic: Silver, Gold, Copper, Blue or Red		latest & best product line that STAR ever produced, including KingBeat snare drum		1973	

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