Cortado Xe

Pro contact mic. Phantom-powered. All-in-one.

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The Cortado Xe is a professional contact microphone with a built-in phantom-powered preamp — all in a single all-steel housing just 26mm across and 11mm tall. Plug into any mixer, interface, or preamp with 24–48V phantom power and go. **No battery. No DI box. No extra gear.**



KEY FEATURES

- **All-in-one design** — Contact sensor and preamp integrated in a single 26mm × 11mm steel housing, with permanently attached XLR cable
- **All-steel ferrous housing** — Durable, well-shielded, and magnet-mountable for instant repositioning
- **Extended frequency response** — 40 Hz to 40 kHz captures full harmonic detail
- **Balanced XLR output** — Pro-grade signal, low noise, long cable runs
- **Phantom powered (24–48V)** — No batteries, no DI box, no external preamp needed
- **Versatile mounting** — Ships with mounting putty; ferrous housing also accepts magnets — repositions in seconds

CORTADO XE VS. CORTADO MKIII

Two pro contact mics, one design philosophy. The MkIII gives you onboard pad and high-pass filter controls; the Xe gives you our most compact, simplest form factor with the same balanced output and phantom-powered preamp.

FEATURE	CORTADO XE	CORTADO MKIII
Form factor	Single integrated unit	Sensor + separate preamp chassis
Housing	All-steel, 26mm × 11mm	Galvanized chassis, sensor 36mm × 15mm
Onboard pad / HPF	—	✓
Magnet-mountable sensor	✓	✓
Frequency response	40 Hz – 40 kHz	23 Hz – 40 kHz

SPECIFICATIONS

TECHNICAL SPECS	
Transducer	Contact sensor, magnet-mountable
Preamp	Built-in, phantom-powered
Output	Balanced XLR (male)
Power	24–48V phantom
Freq. response	40 Hz – 40 kHz (typical)
Housing	All-steel, ferrous
Dimensions	26mm ø × 11mm H
Mounting	Putty (included); magnet-compatible
Cable	Integrated, permanent, 6 ft (1.8 m)
Connector	Male XLR
SKU	PCXE

MSRP $169.95

Includes carry pouch, mounting putty, Velcro cable tie, guitar pick & sticker
1-year limited warranty

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Output	Balanced XLR	Balanced XLR
Power	24–48V phantom	24–48V phantom
MSRP	**$169.95**	$159.95

PERFECT FOR

- **Drums & percussion:** Tom, snare, and kick shells — capture attack and shell resonance with minimal kit bleed. Low profile stays out of the way on stage; magnet-mountable for fast repositioning between songs
- **Acoustic instruments:** Mandolins, banjos, violins, ukuleles, acoustic guitars — any instrument where a traditional contact mic is too bulky or visible
- **Sound design & field recording:** Stick it on anything that vibrates — metal, wood, glass, drum shells, piano soundboards
- **Live performance:** Low-profile, stays put. Picks up far less airborne stage noise than an air mic. Repositions in seconds between sets
- **Studio tracking:** Layer with a conventional mic for texture and harmonic detail
- **Already own a Cortado MkIII?** The Xe is the perfect travel companion, second-instrument mic, or quick-setup option

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WHAT'S IN THE BOX

Cortado Xe	Contact mic with integrated XLR cable
Carry pouch	Protective storage
Mounting putty	Reusable, non-marring
Velcro cable tie	Keeps the cable tidy
Guitar pick	Zeppelin Design Labs pick
Sticker	Because why not

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