

Samba enredo (with brushes) for Drumset

Information

Samba is a Brazilian dance and musical genre originating in Bahia and with its roots in Brazil (Rio de Janeiro) and Africa via the West African slave trade and African religious traditions. It is recognized around the world as a symbol of Brazil and the Brazilian Carnival. Considered one of the most popular Brazilian cultural expressions, samba has become an icon of Brazilian national identity. Samba enredo is a themed samba written specifically for marching during Carnival. Includes music, dance, costumes and decoration. In Samba-enredo songs are performed by a samba school (or escola de samba) for the festivities of Carnival.

Instruments we emulate on the following pattern

Repinique, three surdos and ganza.

Repinique on the snare drum, surdo de primeira on the tom, surdo de segunda on the floor tom, surdo de terceira on the bass drum and ganza on the hi hat.

Source of the pattern

Brazilian drummer and educator Kiko Freitas.

Official website: www.kikofreitas.com.br

Drum Key

A musical staff with six notes. The first note is marked with an 'x' below it. The notes are labeled as follows: Hi hat on foot, Bass drum, Snare drum, Snare drum (rim shot), Tom tom, and Floor tom.

Drum Pattern for Samba enredo with brushes (Video Lesson)

(♩ = 120)

snare off

R

L L R L L L R L L L R L L L R L

R R R

The notation shows a 2/4 time signature. The pattern consists of four measures. Each measure starts with a snare drum hit (marked 'snare off') followed by a sequence of notes: L L R L, L L R L, L L R L, and L L R L. Above the notes are accents (>) and brush marks (V). Below the notes are the letters R, L, and R, indicating the hand used for each note.

Notes

1. You can play also the pattern with sticks
2. While you are playing the pattern sing along loudly the beat, and every line/ voice separately (line of bass drum, snare drum, tom tom and floor tom, hi-hat) for achieving greater independence and faster internalization of the pattern.

Suggested songs of Samba enredo

Fanfarra (Sergio Mendes)

Batucada (Ile Axe)

Escola de Samba (Luciano Perrone e Seus Ritmistas Brasileiros)