

The EASY DRUM SOLOS

By Denis Stilke

Enhance your musical drumming and have fun right away!



The EASY DRUM SOLOS -series

The Easy Drum Solos are a simple but useful tool to improve and expand your musical vocabulary.

They start out real easy and get spiced up more and more to give you some nice spots to work on.

f.i. your timing, sound, transition skills, and groove flexibility

The great thing about these solos is that there is a musical form that carries you always through the same way:

-4 bars of Intro-

-an A-section with 8 bars fill in inclusive

-again A – section which moves to the Ride-cymbal

-B-section ,for contrast

-A-section again (Repeat sign)

-4 bars Outro (same as Intro) D.C. : means from the top and FINE is the ending

So then we have a total of 40 bars to play, almost a little Song form.

I have worked out some solos in different styles (Rock, Funk , World, Drum& Bass, Blues etc.) and with progressing technical issues. I have been using the solos in my own teaching quite a while and my students always loved to play them. I also use them in recitals, sometimes in accompany with percussion.

For the Beginner they are good to play through for keeping the tempo and flow consistent, also the sound and feel. Usually the groove suffers in insecure spots like fill ins and B-sections. So watch out for that. Play it for your teacher or record yourself to jump the hurdles.

For the more experienced player they could go for it as a sight reading exercise. Add some Hi-hat Variations if you play on the Ride- Cymbal. Play with some inner dynamic and make a nice musical arc from beginning until the end.

Anyway there are a lot of fun to play and a good measurement of your drumming and musical abilities.

So give them a try and make it easy!

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Easy Drum Solo theme

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Drum Set

Fine

H.H.

5

D. S.

9

D. S.

Ride

13

D. S.

17

D. S.

D.C. al Fine

21

D. S.

25

D. S.

f

Easy Drum Solo I

Denis Stilke

Drum Set



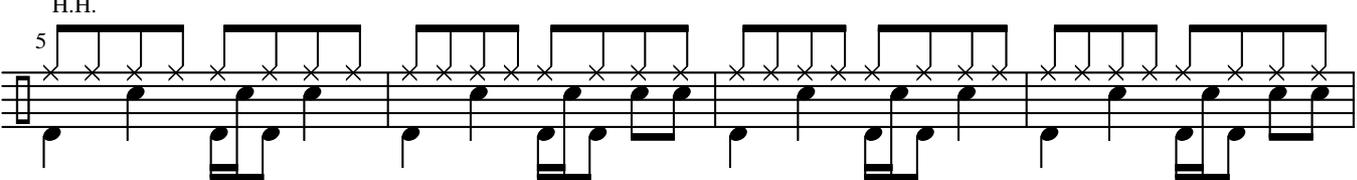
Drum set notation for the first staff, showing a sequence of eighth and sixteenth notes with asterisks indicating specific drum sounds.

Fine

H.H.

5

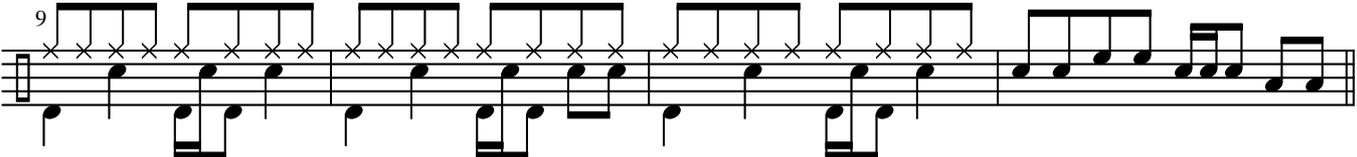
D. S.



Drum set notation for the second staff, labeled H.H. and starting at measure 5. It features a pattern of eighth notes with asterisks.

9

D. S.

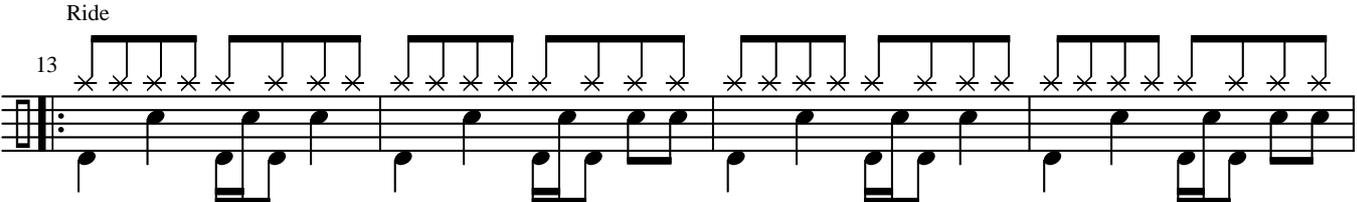


Drum set notation for the third staff, starting at measure 9. It features a pattern of eighth notes with asterisks.

Ride

13

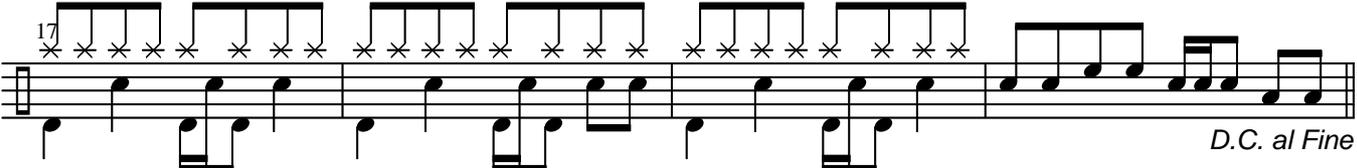
D. S.



Drum set notation for the fourth staff, labeled Ride and starting at measure 13. It features a pattern of eighth notes with asterisks.

17

D. S.



Drum set notation for the fifth staff, starting at measure 17. It features a pattern of eighth notes with asterisks.

D.C. al Fine

21

D. S.



Drum set notation for the sixth staff, starting at measure 21. It features a pattern of eighth notes with asterisks.

25

D. S.



Drum set notation for the seventh staff, starting at measure 25. It features a pattern of eighth notes with asterisks, ending with a double bar line and a fermata.

f

Easy Drum Solo II

chilly pepper

Denis Stilke

Drum Set

Fine

Drum set notation for measures 1-8. The notation is on a single staff with a common time signature (C). It features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some measures containing rests. The piece ends with a double bar line and the word "Fine".

H.H.

5

D. S.

Drum set notation for measures 5-8. The notation is on a single staff with a common time signature (C). It features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some measures containing rests. The piece ends with a double bar line and the word "Fine".

9

D. S.

Drum set notation for measures 9-12. The notation is on a single staff with a common time signature (C). It features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some measures containing rests. The piece ends with a double bar line and the word "Fine".

Ride

13

D. S.

Drum set notation for measures 13-16. The notation is on a single staff with a common time signature (C). It features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some measures containing rests. The piece ends with a double bar line and the word "Fine".

17

D. S.

Drum set notation for measures 17-20. The notation is on a single staff with a common time signature (C). It features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some measures containing rests. The piece ends with a double bar line and the word "Fine".

Rim

21

D. S.

Drum set notation for measures 21-24. The notation is on a single staff with a common time signature (C). It features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some measures containing rests. The piece ends with a double bar line and the word "Fine".

25

D. S.

Drum set notation for measures 25-28. The notation is on a single staff with a common time signature (C). It features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some measures containing rests. The piece ends with a double bar line and the word "Fine".

Easy Drum Solo III

16th to beat

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Drum Set



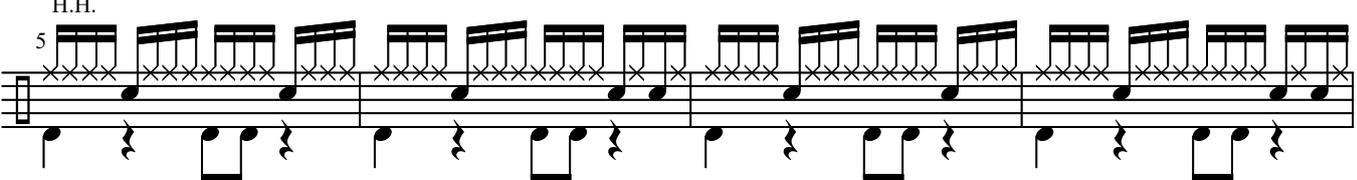
Drum set notation for the first staff, showing a 4-measure pattern with various drum sounds and rests.

Fine

H.H.

5

D. S.



Drum set notation for the second staff, starting at measure 5, featuring Hi-Hat (H.H.) and Drum Set (D. S.) patterns.

9

D. S.



Drum set notation for the third staff, starting at measure 9, featuring Drum Set (D. S.) patterns.

Ride/ Hi Hat

13

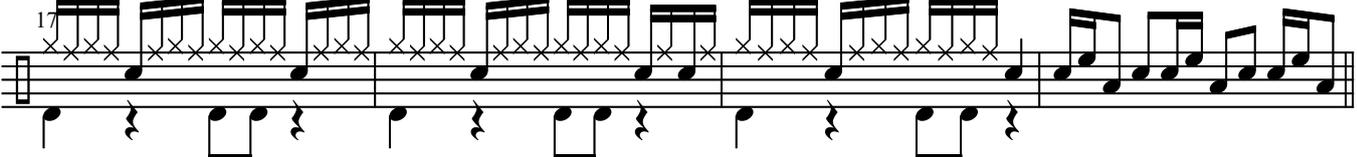
D. S.



Drum set notation for the fourth staff, starting at measure 13, featuring Ride/Hi Hat and Drum Set (D. S.) patterns.

17

D. S.



Drum set notation for the fifth staff, starting at measure 17, featuring Drum Set (D. S.) patterns.

D.C. al Fine

21

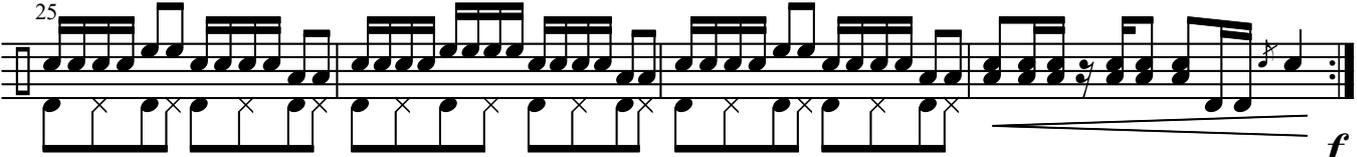
D. S.



Drum set notation for the sixth staff, starting at measure 21, featuring Drum Set (D. S.) patterns.

25

D. S.



Drum set notation for the seventh staff, starting at measure 25, featuring Drum Set (D. S.) patterns and a forte (*f*) dynamic marking.

Easy Drum Solo IV

hand to hand

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Drum Set



Fine

H.H.

5

D. S.



9

D. S.



Ride/ Hi Hat

13

D. S.



17

D. S.



D.C. al Fine

21

D. S.



25

D. S.



Easy Drum Solo V off the beat

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Drum Set

H.H. *Fine*

5

D. S.

9

D. S.

Ride

13

D. S.

17

D. S.

D.C. al Fine

21

D. S.

25

D. S.

f

Easy Drum Solo VI

don`t rush

Denis Stilke

Drum Set



Fine

H.H.

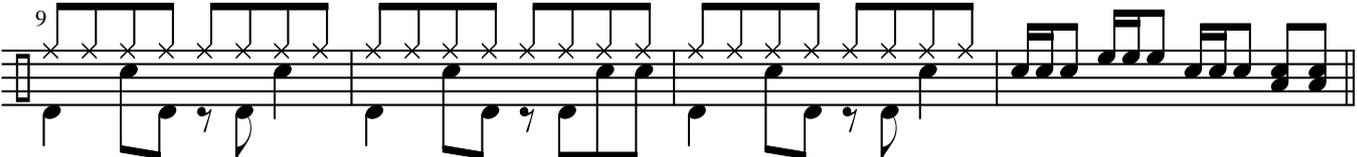
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D. S.



9

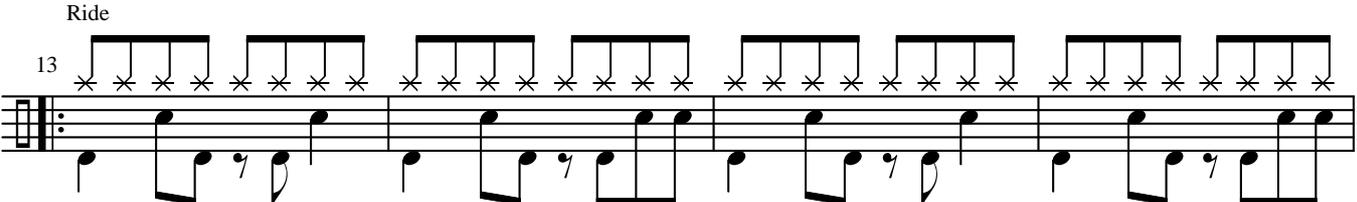
D. S.



Ride

13

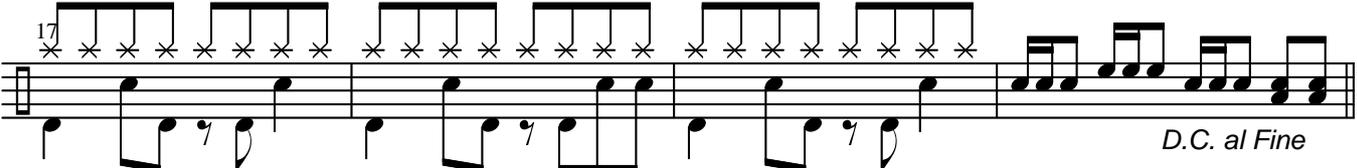
D. S.



17

D. S.

D.C. al Fine



21

D. S.



25

D. S.

f



Easy Drum VII to rock

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Drum Set

Fine

H.H.
5

D. S.

9

D. S.

Ride
13

D. S.

17

D. S.

D.C. al Fine

21

D. S.

25

D. S.

f

Easy Drum Solo VIII

world beat

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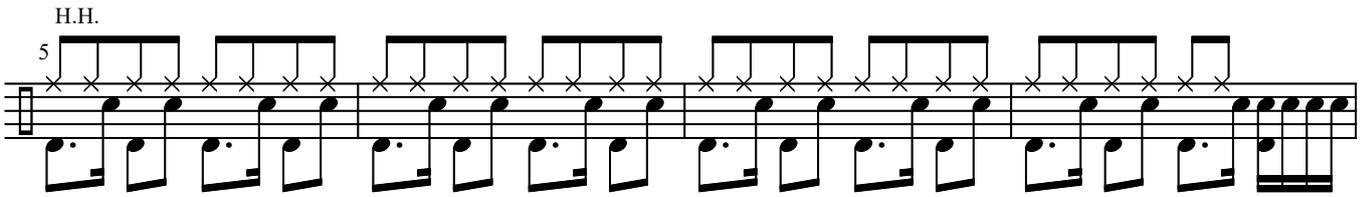
Drum Set



H.H.

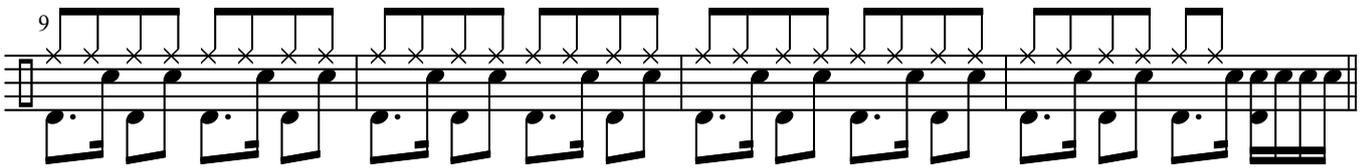
5

D. S.



9

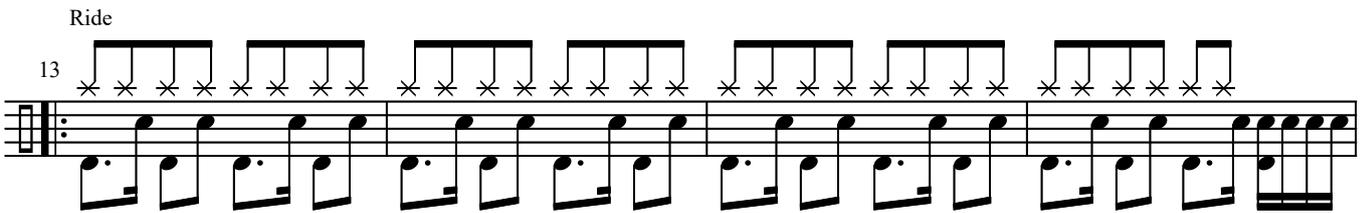
D. S.



Ride

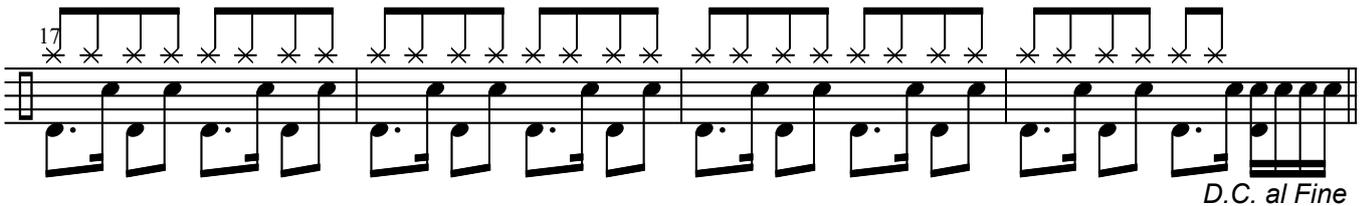
13

D. S.



17

D. S.



D.C. al Fine

21

D. S.



25

D. S.



Easy Drum Solo IX

bluesy

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Drum Set

H.H.

D. S.

D.C. al Fine

Fine

Easy Drum Solo XI

funky

Denis Stilke

Drum Set

Drum set notation for the first staff, showing a sequence of eighth notes with accents (>) and a final quarter note with a double bar line.

Fine

H.H.

3

D. S.

Drum set notation for the second staff, featuring a Hi-Hat (H.H.) pattern of eighth notes and a snare drum (D. S.) pattern of eighth notes.

7

D. S.

Drum set notation for the third staff, continuing the Hi-Hat and snare drum patterns.

Ride

11

D. S.

Drum set notation for the fourth staff, introducing a Ride cymbal pattern of eighth notes and a snare drum pattern of eighth notes.

15

D. S.

Drum set notation for the fifth staff, continuing the Ride and snare drum patterns.

D.C. al Fine

19

D. S.

Drum set notation for the sixth staff, featuring a snare drum pattern with accents and a bass drum pattern.

23

D. S.

Drum set notation for the seventh staff, continuing the snare and bass drum patterns.

Easy Drum Solo XII

hip hop

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Drum Set

Swing Fine

3

D. S.

H.H.

7

D. S.

11

Ride

D. S.

15

D. S.

D.C. al Fine

19

D. S.

23

D. S.

R LL

Easy Drum Solo XIII

drum&bass

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Drum Set

R R LL R RR LL R

The notation shows a drum set part for measures 1 through 8. It features a series of eighth-note patterns on a single staff. Above the notes are accents (>) and the letters R, L, and LL are placed below the notes to indicate the drum being played: Right, Left, and Left-Left.

Fine

H.H.

5

D. S.

The notation shows a drum set part for measures 5 through 8. It features a series of eighth-note patterns on a single staff. Above the notes are 'x' marks indicating a hi-hat. The letters 'D. S.' are written to the left of the staff.

9

D. S.

The notation shows a drum set part for measures 9 through 12. It features a series of eighth-note patterns on a single staff. Above the notes are 'x' marks indicating a hi-hat. The letters 'D. S.' are written to the left of the staff.

Ride/ Tambourin

13

D. S.

The notation shows a drum set part for measures 13 through 16. It features a series of eighth-note patterns on a single staff. Above the notes are 'x' marks indicating a hi-hat. The letters 'D. S.' are written to the left of the staff.

17

D. S.

The notation shows a drum set part for measures 17 through 20. It features a series of eighth-note patterns on a single staff. Above the notes are 'x' marks indicating a hi-hat. The letters 'D. S.' are written to the left of the staff.

D.C. al Fine

21

D. S.

The notation shows a drum set part for measures 21 through 24. It features a series of eighth-note patterns on a single staff. Above the notes are 'x' marks indicating a hi-hat. The letters 'D. S.' are written to the left of the staff.

25

D. S.

The notation shows a drum set part for measures 25 through 28. It features a series of eighth-note patterns on a single staff. Above the notes are 'x' marks indicating a hi-hat. The letters 'D. S.' are written to the left of the staff.

Easy Drum Solo XIV ala James Brown

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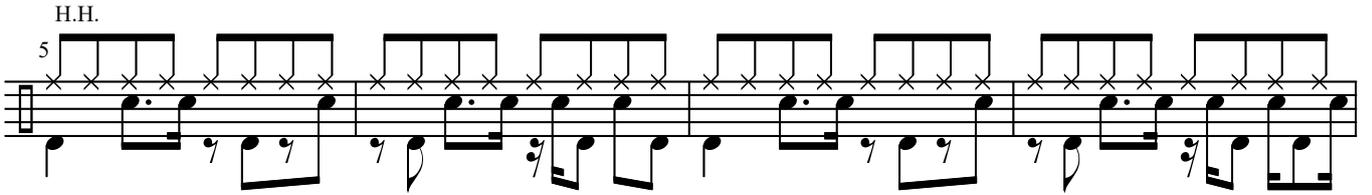
Drum Set



Fine

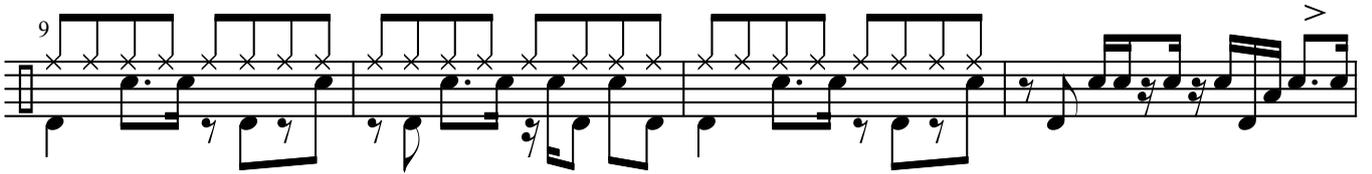
H.H.
5

D. S.



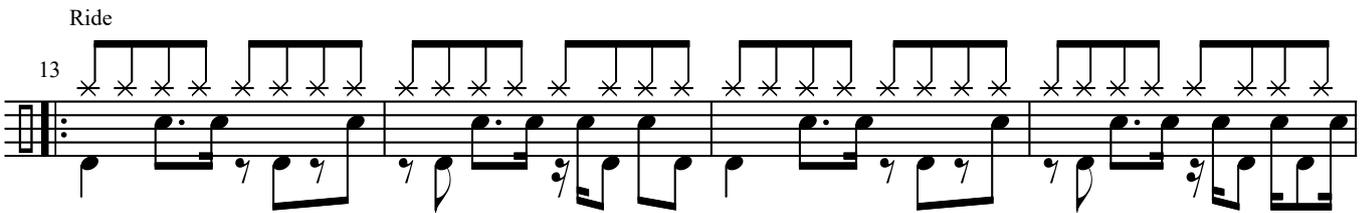
9

D. S.



Ride
13

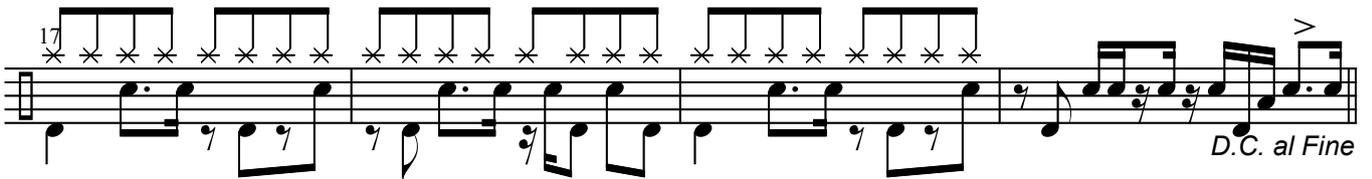
D. S.



17

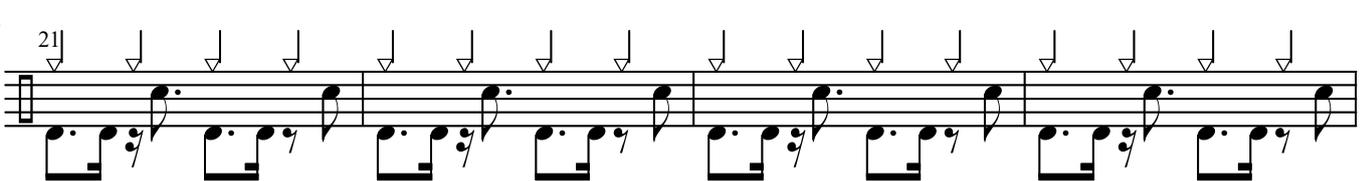
D. S.

D.C. al Fine



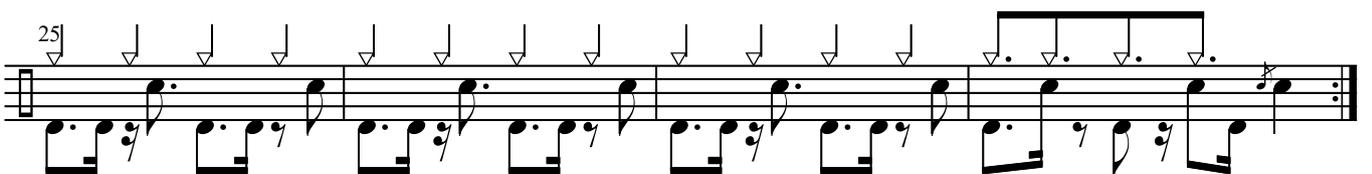
Bell
21

D. S.



25

D. S.



Easy Drum Solo XVI

funky clave

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Drum Set



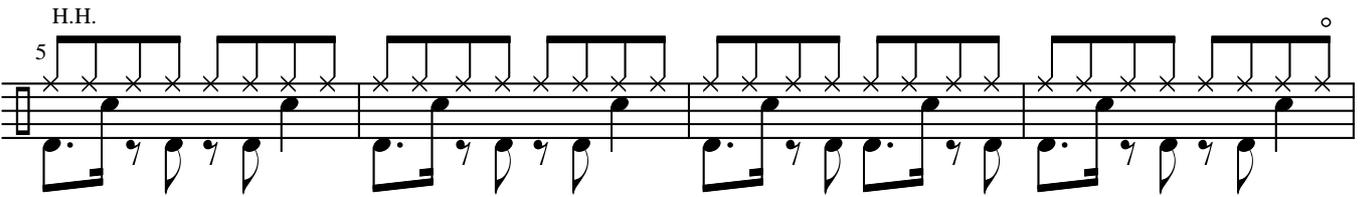
Drum set notation in 4/4 time, featuring a funky clave pattern. The notation includes quarter notes, eighth notes, and rests on a single staff.

Fine

H.H.

5

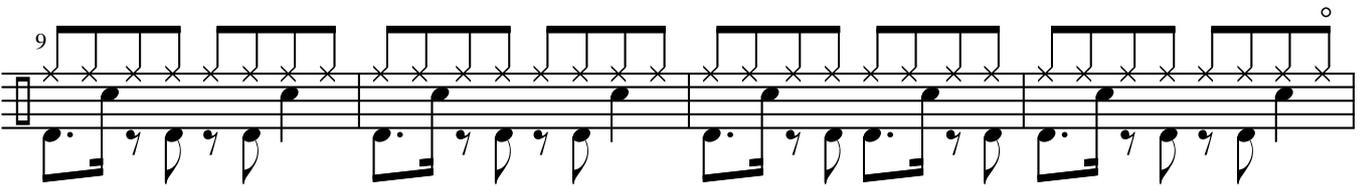
D. S.



Hand drum notation for the first system, starting at measure 5. It features a pattern of eighth notes on the top staff and quarter notes on the bottom staff.

9

D. S.

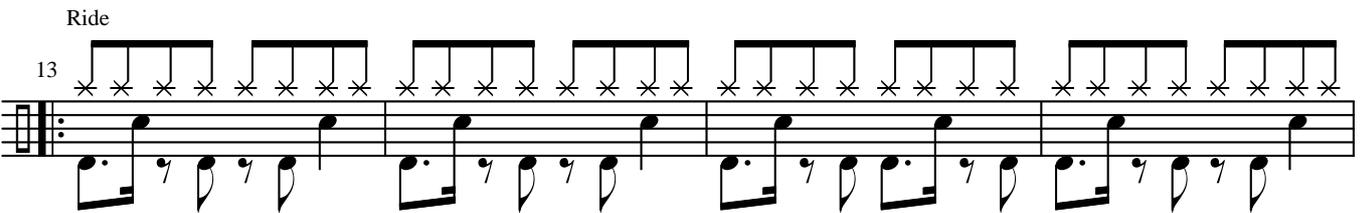


Hand drum notation for the second system, starting at measure 9. It continues the pattern of eighth notes on the top staff and quarter notes on the bottom staff.

Ride

13

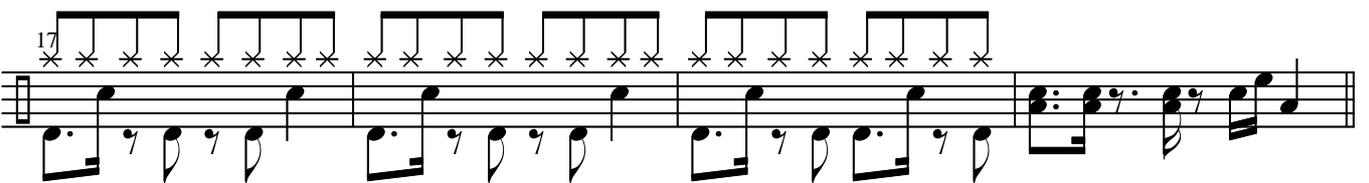
D. S.



Hand drum notation for the third system, starting at measure 13. The top staff features a 'Ride' pattern of eighth notes, while the bottom staff has quarter notes.

17

D. S.



Hand drum notation for the fourth system, starting at measure 17. The top staff has eighth notes, and the bottom staff has quarter notes.

D.C. al Fine

21

D. S.



Hand drum notation for the fifth system, starting at measure 21. The top staff has quarter notes, and the bottom staff has quarter notes with rests.

25

D. S.



Hand drum notation for the sixth system, starting at measure 25. The top staff has quarter notes, and the bottom staff has quarter notes with rests.

Easy Drum Solo XVII to ghost

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The musical score is written for a drum set and consists of eight staves. The first staff is labeled "Drum Set" and shows a complex rhythmic pattern with accents. The following seven staves are labeled "D. S." (Drum Set) and feature different drum parts: "H.H." (Hi-Hat) starting at measure 5, "Ride" starting at measure 13, and "D.C. al Fine" (Direct Control) starting at measure 21. The score concludes with a "Fine" marking at the end of the eighth staff. The music is in common time (C) and includes various rhythmic values such as eighth and sixteenth notes, rests, and accents.

Easy Drum Solo XVIII ala Bohnham

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Drum Set

H.H. Fine

3

D. S.

7

D. S.

Ride / simile

11

D. S.

15

D. S.

19

D. S.

23

D. S.

D.C. al Fine

Easy Drum Solo XIX

left hand lead

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Drum Set

H.H. *Fine*

D. S.

D. S.

Ride/H.H.

D. S.

D. S.

D. S.

D. S.

D.C. al Fine

