

# PROMENADE

## FX TYPE: Filter

Based on the EHX® Bass Balls™

Enclosure Size: 125B

"Softie" compatibility: Softie 3

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## Overview

The **Promenade** is an envelope filter based on the EHX® Bass Balls™. I've included some of the mods suggested by Mark Hammer on the DIYSB forum. These mods give the builder more control over how the envelope behaves as well as the bass and treble frequency response.

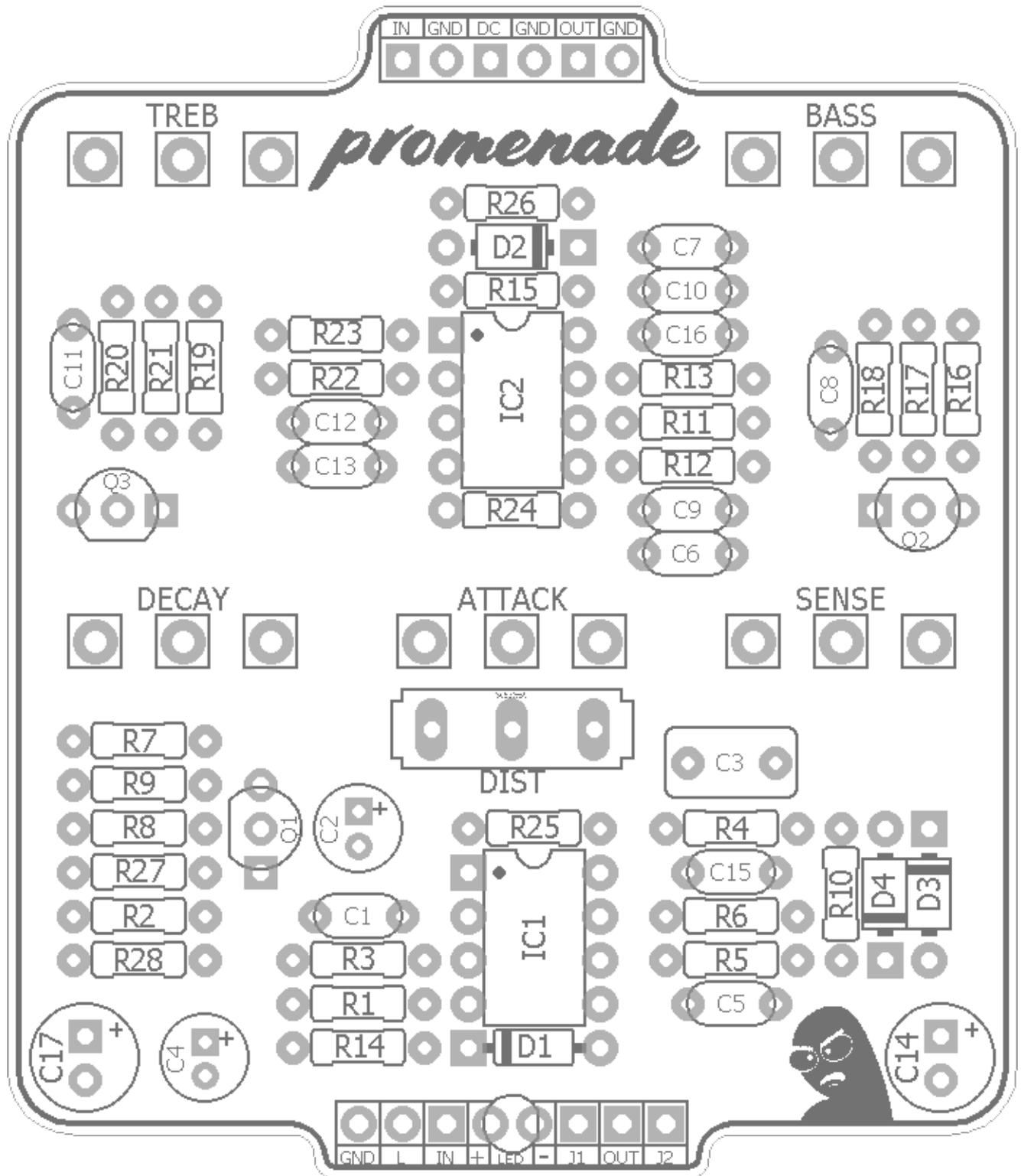
This should be an easy project for most builders. There's nothing tricky, nothing to be tweaked to taste or in need of further modification, IMO. It sounds great on bass, baritone and guitar.

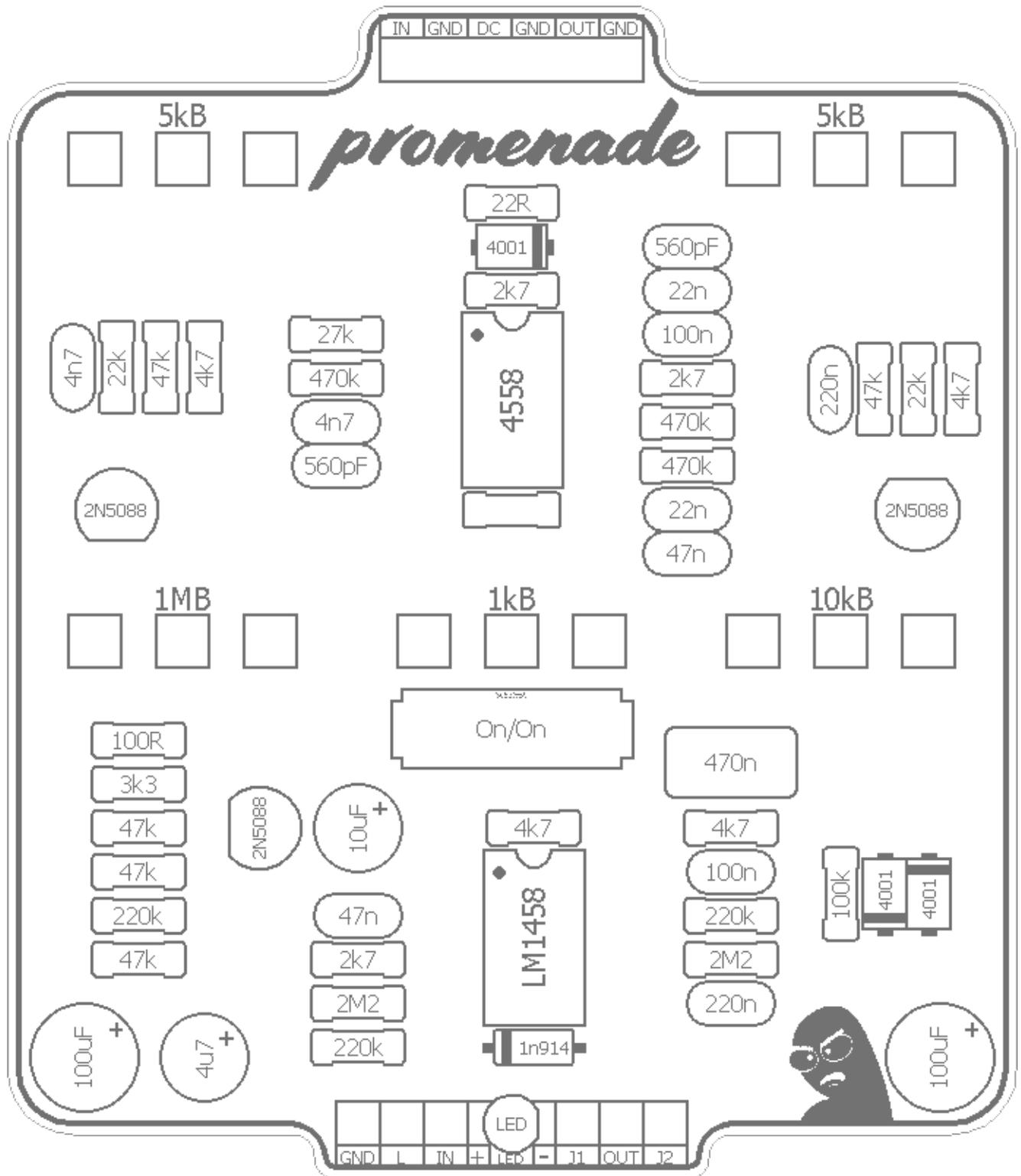
## Controls

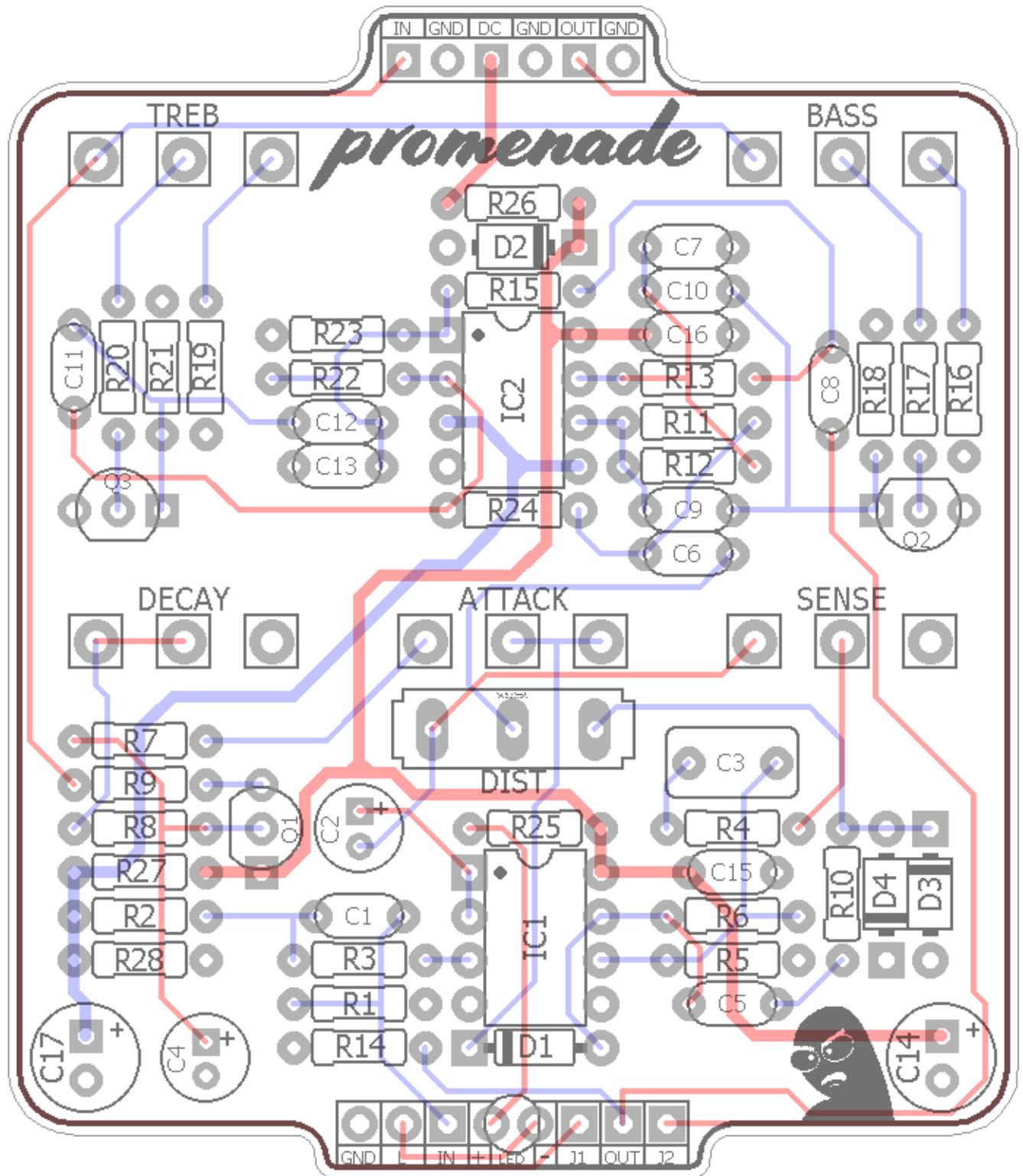
- **BASS, TREB** - Sets the frequency range of the swept filter for the low and high end.
- **SENSE** - The sensitivity of the envelope filter. This controls how much signal is used to trigger the envelope. There will be a couple of "sweet spots" depending on the instrument used (passive/active bass, etc).
- **ATTACK, DECAY** - These controls determine the overall shape of the envelope note. Turning them up will increase the attack of the envelope and make the decay of the envelope much longer. Attack, Decay and Sense all work together to offer a wide range of envelope control.
- **CLEAN/DIST** - Left position is clean signal out. Right position adds two silicon diodes to ground for some hard clipped distortion.

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**Technical assistance** for your build(s) is available via the [madbeanpedals](http://madbeanpedals.com) forum. Please go there rather than emailing me for assistance on builds. This is because (1) I'm not always available to respond via email in a timely and continuous manner, and (2) posting technical problems and solutions in the forum creates a record from which other members may benefit.







Resistors		Caps		Diodes	
R1	2M2	C1	47n	D1	1n914
R2	220k	C2	10uF	D2	1n4001
R3	2k7	C3	470n	D3	1n4001
R4	4k7	C4	4u7	D4	1n4001
R5	2M2	C5	220n	<b>Transistors</b>	
R6	220k	C6	47n	Q1	2N5088
R7	100R	C7	560pF	Q2	2N5088
R8	47k	C8	220n	Q3	2N5088
R9	3k3	C9	22n	<b>ICs</b>	
R10	100k	C10	22n	IC1	LM1458
R11	470k	C11	4n7	IC2	4558
R12	470k	C12	4n7	<b>Switches</b>	
R13	2k7	C13	560pF	DIST	On/On
R14	220k	C14	100uF	<b>Pots</b>	
R15	2k7	C15	100n	ATTACK	1kB
R16	4k7	C16	100n	BASS	5kB
R17	22k	C17	100uF	TREB	5kB
R18	47k			SENSE	10kB
R19	4k7			DECAY	1MB
R20	22k				
R21	47k				
R22	470k				
R23	27k				
R24	470k				
R25	4k7				
R26	22R				
R27	47k				
R28	47k				

Value	QTY	Type	Rating
22R	1	Carbon / Metal Film	1/4W
100R	1	Carbon / Metal Film	1/4W
2k7	3	Carbon / Metal Film	1/4W
3k3	1	Carbon / Metal Film	1/4W
4k7	4	Carbon / Metal Film	1/4W
22k	2	Carbon / Metal Film	1/4W
27k	1	Carbon / Metal Film	1/4W
47k	5	Carbon / Metal Film	1/4W
100k	1	Carbon / Metal Film	1/4W
220k	3	Carbon / Metal Film	1/4W
470k	4	Carbon / Metal Film	1/4W
2M2	2	Carbon / Metal Film	1/4W
560pF	2	Ceramic / MLCC	16v min.
4n7	2	Film	16v min.
22n	2	Film	16v min.
47n	2	Film	16v min.
100n	2	Film	16v min.
220n	2	Film	16v min.
470n	1	Film	16v min.
4u7	1	Electrolytic	16v min.
10uF	1	Electrolytic	16v min.
100uF	2	Electrolytic	16v min.
1n914	1		
1n4001	3		
2N5088	3		
LM1458	1		
4558	1		
SPDT	1	On/On, Solder Lug or Pin Mount	
1kB	1	PCB Right Angle	16mm
5kB	2	PCB Right Angle	16mm
10kB	1	PCB Right Angle	16mm
1MB	1	PCB Right Angle	16mm

**LM1458:**

<https://stompboxparts.com/semiconductors/lm1458n-dual-op-amp-ic/>

<https://www.mouser.com/ProductDetail/595-MC1458P>

**SPDT (On/On):**

<https://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/spdt-on-on-short-lever/>

<https://stompboxparts.com/switches/spdt-toggle-switch-on-on-solder-lug-short-bat/>

<https://lovemyswitches.com/spdt-on-on-switch-solder-lug-short-shaft/>

**16mm pots:**

<https://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/alpha-single-gang-16mm-right-angle-pc-mount/>

<https://stompboxparts.com/pots/16mm-potentiometer-short-pcb-leg/>

<https://lovemyswitches.com/16mm-potentiometers-1-4-smooth-shaft-right-angle-pcb-mount/>

**DC Jacks:**

<https://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/2-1-mm-all-plastic-round/>

<https://stompboxparts.com/power-connections/dc-power-jack-2-1mm-low-profile/>

<https://lovemyswitches.com/thinline-lumberg-dc-power-jack-2-1mm/>

**1/4" jacks:**

<https://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/1-4-in-mono-nys229/>

<https://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/1-4-in-mono-switchcraft-11/>

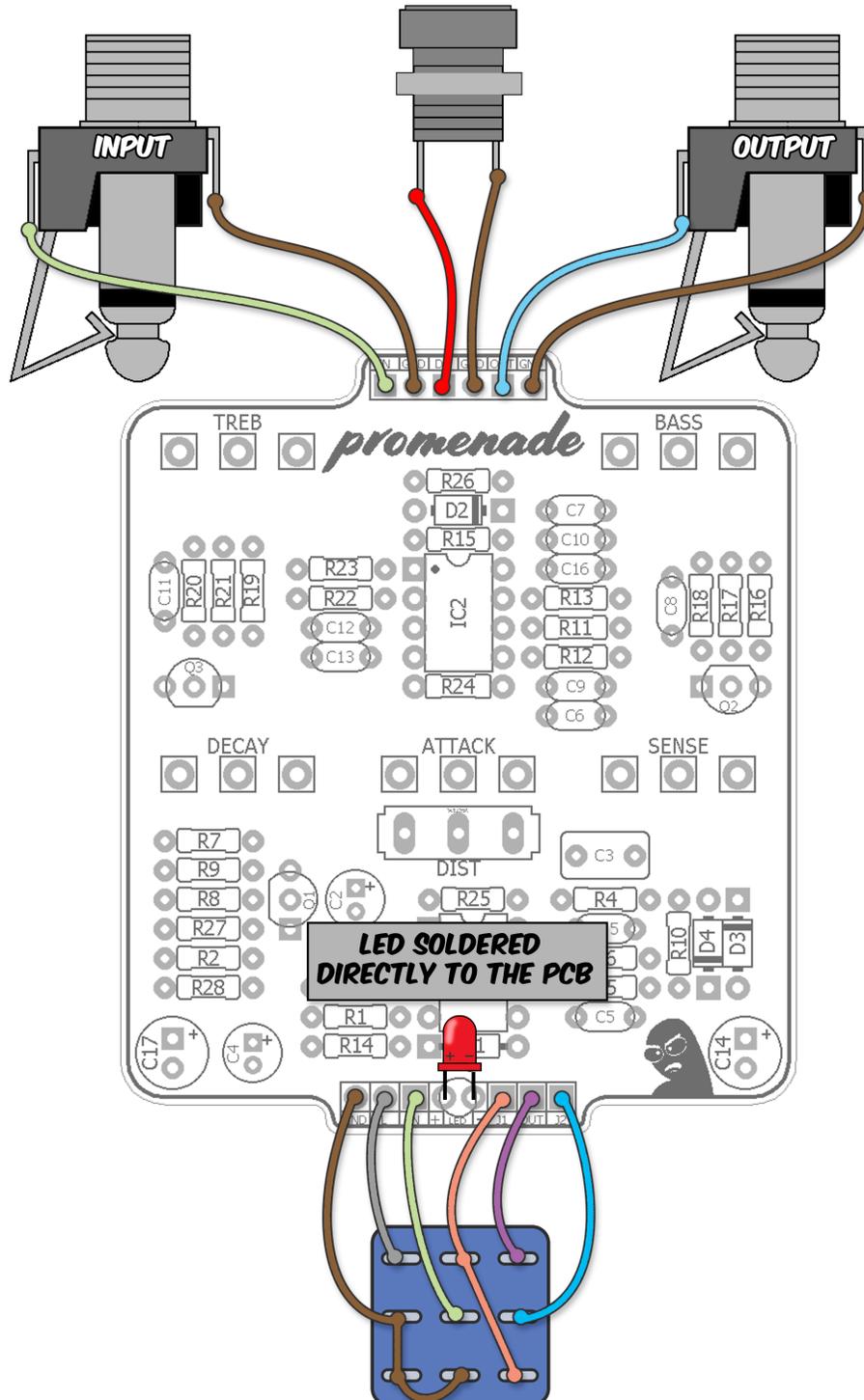
<https://lovemyswitches.com/1-4-mono-jack-lumberg-klbm-3/>

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**My preferred 3PDT switch:**

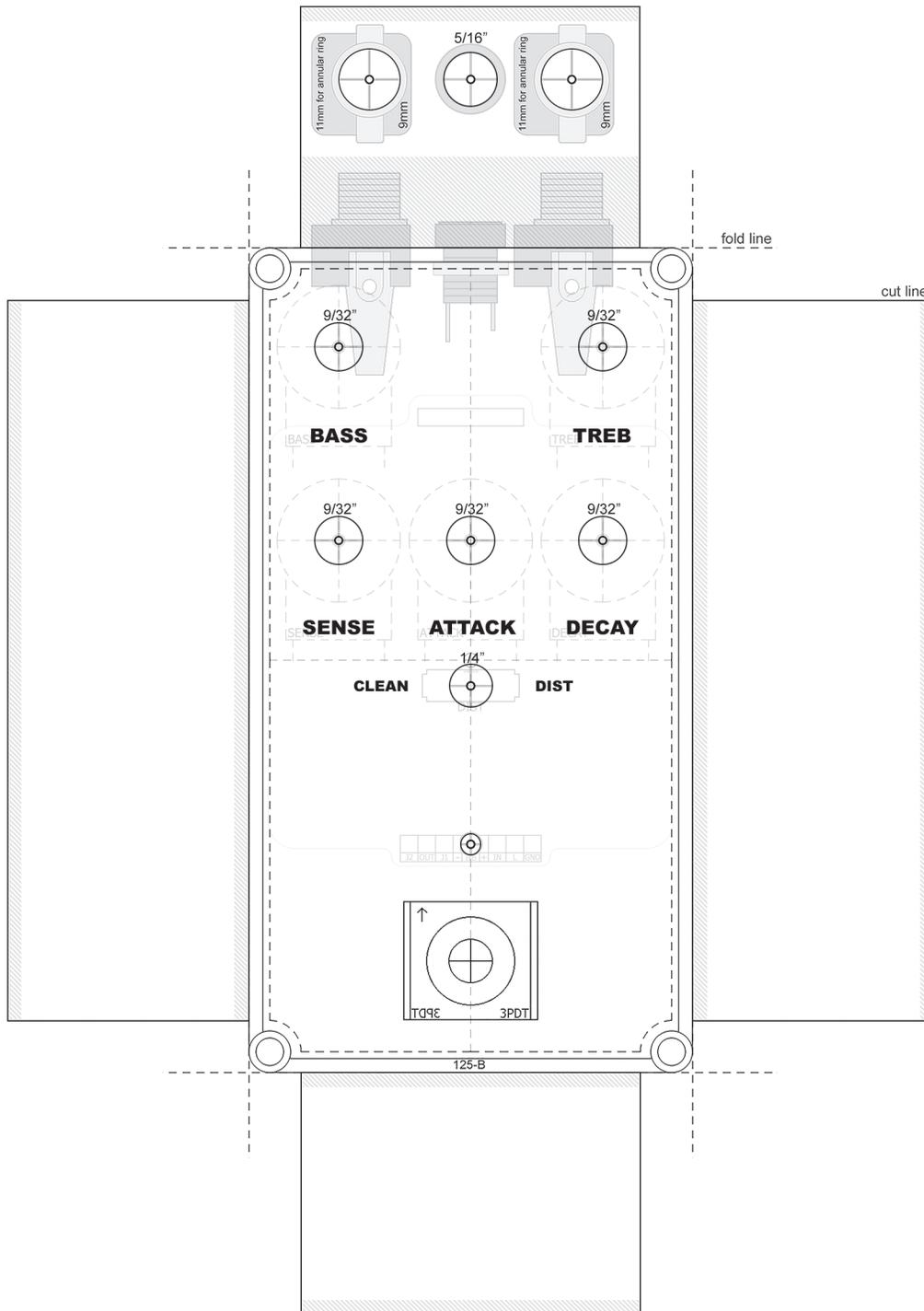
<https://lovemyswitches.com/pro-3pdt-latched-foot-switch-solder-lugs-feather-soft-click/>

- None.



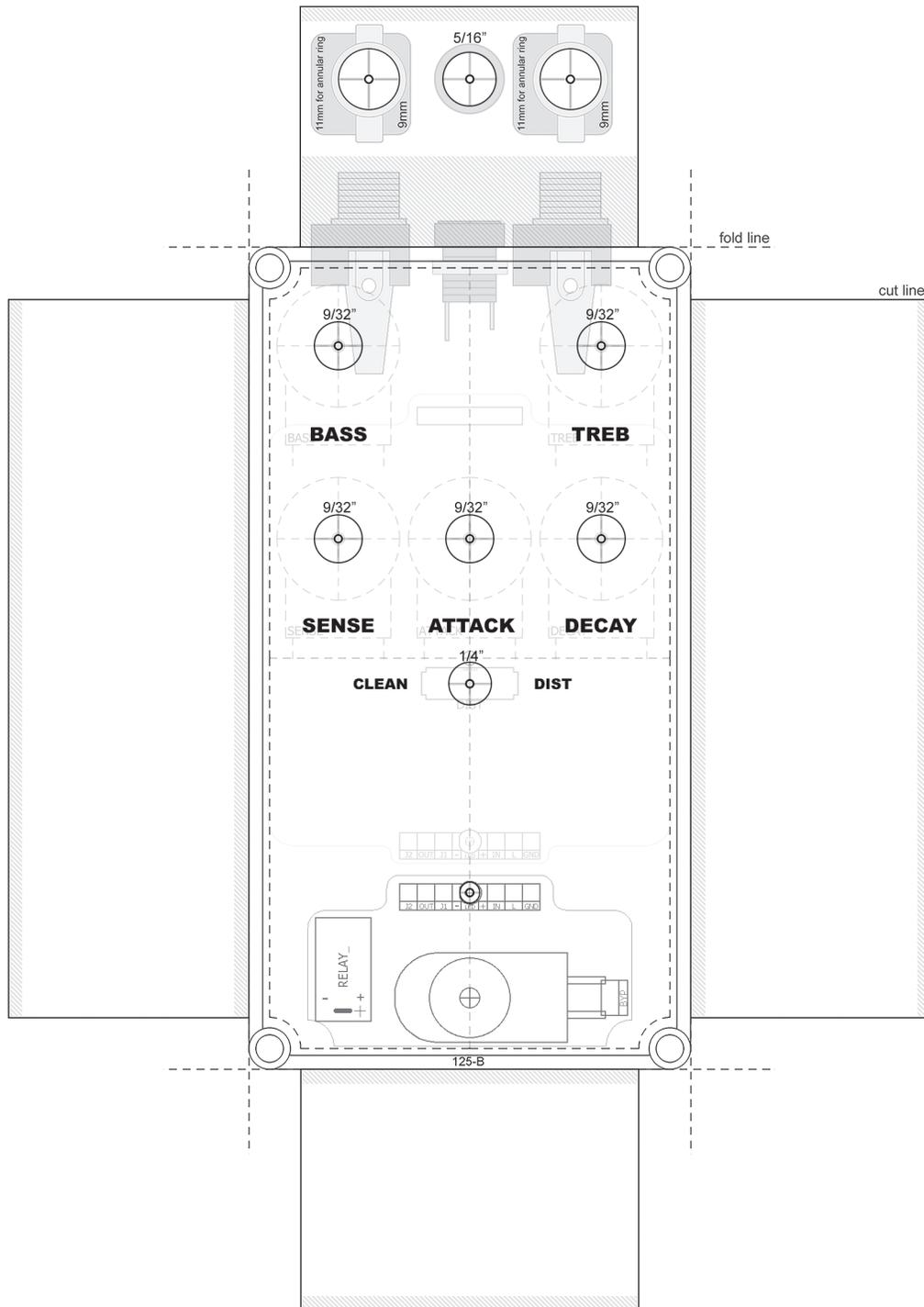
The LED is soldered directly to the PCB. You should do this as a “last step” after the PCB is mounted to your enclosure.

**Note:** Drill Guides are approximate and may require tweaking depending on the types of jacks, switches and pots you use.



With 3PDT bypass. LED soldered directly to the Promenade PCB.

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With Softie3 bypass. LED soldered to the Softie3 PCB.  
 NOTE: You can move the footswitch location further up if you prefer.

IC1	LM1458	Q1	2n5088
1	4.69	C	9.4
2	4.69	B	1.71
3	4.59	E	1.14
4	0	Q2	2n5088
5	0	C	4mV
6	1.89	B	425mV
7	2	E	0
8	9.4	Q3	2n5088
IC2	4558	C	4mV
1	4.69	B	475mV
2	4.7	E	0
3	4.69		
4	0		
5	4.69		
6	4.69		
7	4.68		
8	9.4		

- 9.42vDC One Spot
- Current Draw: 4mA
- Testing Conditions: All knobs about 1/2 up

