USBSID-Pico PCB revision v1.3 manual

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PCB top overview

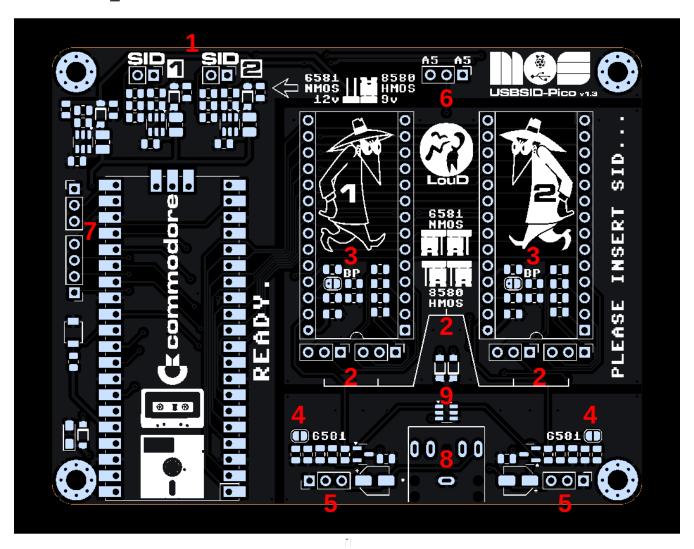


Figure 1. PCB top overview

1. Socket SID type / voltage selection jumper



Voltage control per SID/socket.

SID1 is for socket 1 (left) and SID2 is for socket 2 (right)

- No jumper cap (open) = for 6581 SID only!! (12 volts)
- Jumper cap (closed) = for 8580 SID (9 volts)

Please be careful and choose the correct voltage setting!



Note:

Most clone SID chips do not use the higher voltage pin. Please check with the SID clone manufacturer (manual) if you are not sure!

2. SID filter selection jumpers



6581 NMOS A A 8580 HMOS

Each socket has 2 jumpers that need to be in the same position.

These 2 jumpers control which filter capacitors are active for that socket.

The 2 left jumpers are for SID1/socket1 and the 2 right jumpers are for SID2/socket2

- 2 jumpers left (closed) = MOS6581 filters (470pF)
- 2 jumpers right (closed) = MOS8580 filters (22nF)

Accidentally mixing these jumpers should not do any harm but might make audio sound worse.

Note:

Most clone SID chips do not use the filter capacitors. Please check with the SID clone manufacturer (manual) if you are not sure!

Each set of jumpers respectively controls the capacitance for CAPA and CAPB for that SID.

3. Digiboost

Inside each SID socket there is a solderpad marked BP. This provides an optional bypass by directly pulling SID Pin 26 EXT IN to GND with a 330k resistor.

This bypass is also known as digi-boost for 8580 SID chips.

Note:

The digiboost resistor value is fixed.

4. 6581 pulldown resistor

6581 For each audio circuit there is a solder pad marked 6581.

This is an extra pull down resisitor required when using a MOS6581 SID as per Commodore64 schematic.

Note:

Your 6581 SID will work without this solderpad but audio quality may vary.

5. Audio pins



Each socket has an optional header with 3 pins.

The pinout is from left to right GND, IN, OUT (markings are on the bottom of the PCB)

Each socket has a solder pad marked EXT IN on the bottom of the PCB.

Close this to connect the IN pin of the audio header to the SID chip EXT IN pin.

IMPORTANT:

There is no audio filter circuit connected to the EXT IN pin, you have to provide the audio in filter yourself!

I take no responsibility if you break your SID chip by using this pin!

6. Address line & audio switch pins



Optional header for connecting the A5 address line to Clone SID chips.

There are 2 A5 pins, one for each socket that are both connected to the same GPIO pin. The pinout is from left to right A5, SW, A5 (markings are on the bottom of the PCB)

The SW pin is an optional pin for adding a switch to control the mono / audio switch manually.

7. GPIO pins

Optional header for UART pins and unused GPIO for future use. (markings are on the bottom of the PCB)

8. Audio circuit



Each socket has it's own audio circuit with a

voltage follower audio filter.

This is also used in the Commodore64 and on the SID Blaster.

9. Audio switch

Last but not least, the digital audio switch IC. Switching from mono (both SID chips play over left and right) to Stereo (SID1 over the left channel and SID2 over the right channel) and back is handled by the firmware through settings or automatically by supported players.

PCB bottom overview

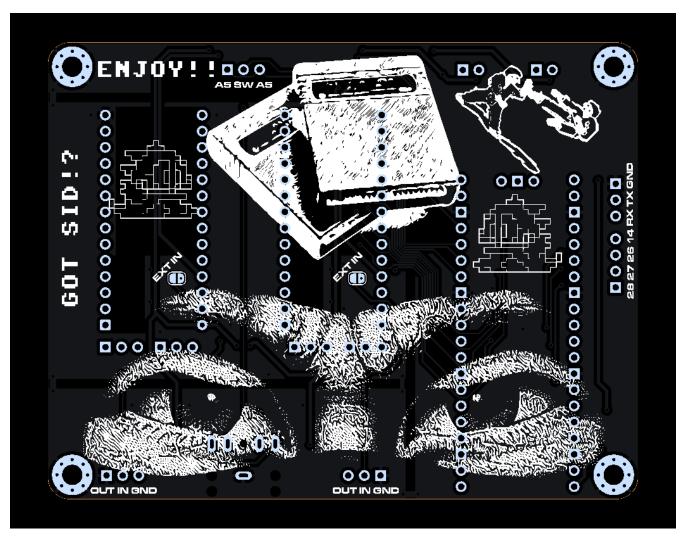


Figure 2. PCB bottom overview

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