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Posted by [jef knight\[1\]](#) on Fri, 28 Apr 2006 15:47:09 GMT

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Posted by [TCB](#) on Sun, 30 Apr 2006 19:16:05 GMT

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Two other options to consider. First, VSampler from MAZ sound

<http://www.maz-sound.com/index.php?show=product&id=2>

Is a \_great\_ soft sampler. For under \$200 it will do 99% of what most samplists need and it has \_super\_ VST effect integration. So if you don't like the delay in the sampler, stuck your favorite VST delay on it. And how about a UAD stereo Fairchild where higher velocity lowers the threshold of the compressor? Squeezes a little more on the loud sections and lets the softer stuff chime through. Very nice.

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Posted by [jef knight\[1\]](#) on Mon, 01 May 2006 15:24:38 GMT

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Posted by [jef knight\[1\]](#) on Mon, 01 May 2006 15:28:22 GMT  
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