Pi-BB is a powered breadboard designed for the Raspberry Pi. Pi-BB offers the following:

- Half size breadboard offering 30 columns x 10 rows or a total of 300 points. Five connection points are available for each column, with a total of 60 columns, making it convenient to attach any peripheral.
- Provides access to 3.3V as well as 5V from the Raspberry Pi.
- Includes a Raspberry Pi header as well as connections as a mirrored header. The 40-pin Raspberry Pi header is soldered on to the Pi-BB board. This allows Pi-BB to be connected to a Raspberry Pi as a HAT. Mirrored Raspberry Pi header allows access to all pins and GPIO’s on the Raspberry Pi.
- USB Power-In – Power the Raspberry Pi and the peripherals from a single USB in Port. Option ally, power only the electronics on the board but not the Pi. Continue to power the Pi from the Power port built in on the Pi. Note – the 3.3V power is still tapped from the Pi. 5V power is provided from the USB port.
- Use the Raspberry Pi Power – use the power from the Raspberry Pi for the 3.3V bus as well as 5V power.
- Provides 3.3V as well as 5V bus from the Raspberry Pi – makes it easy to access the appropriate power for I2C, SPI or other connections.
- Standard 0.1 inch or 2.54mm spacing – makes it convenient to attach resistors, diodes, Integrated Circuits, Circuit holders, breakout boards etc.
- Dual layer – solder on top layer or bottom layer. Makes adding components easy.
- LED indicator is on when power is on. LED can be turned off using the LED jumper on the board. Jumper shunt-in turns on the LED. When the shunt is removed, LED is turned off.
- Same dimensions as a Raspberry Pi. Mounting hole matches HAT specifications, allowing Pi-BB to be mounted securely on top of the Pi.
• Use with a Raspberry Pi or standalone for prototyping work. For stand alone, only 5V is available. 3.3V power is drawn from Raspberry Pi, Pin #1.

A comparison of the Pi-BB and a half-size breadboard is shown below.

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<th>Features</th>
<th>Pi-BB</th>
<th>Half Breadboard</th>
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<tr>
<td>Number of connections</td>
<td>30 x 10</td>
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<td>Power bus</td>
<td>5V &amp; Gnd as well as 3.3V &amp; Gnd – power provided by Pi or provided via USB to Pi and the electronics on Pi-BB</td>
<td>Two sets – provide your own power $$</td>
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<td>Connection</td>
<td>40 pin header soldered on board</td>
<td>Provide your own – $$</td>
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<td>Mounting</td>
<td>HAT compatible, 4 mounting holes</td>
<td>None – $$</td>
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<td>LED</td>
<td>On board indicating power available from board</td>
<td>None - $$</td>
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<td>Power the Pi</td>
<td>Optional – can draw power from Pi or can power pi and electronics</td>
<td>None - $$</td>
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<td>Connection Points</td>
<td>Needs soldering. Once soldered, held in place securely. Neatly arranged</td>
<td>Jumper wires. Falls off easily. Usually messy to look at and trace</td>
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<td>Access to headers</td>
<td>Headers accessed via 40 pin header pins as well as mirrored pi-header. All header pins are accessible</td>
<td>None – provide your own $$</td>
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<td>Mechanical</td>
<td>Soldering provides mechanical stability and mounts on a Pi using 2.5mm spacers</td>
<td>Jumper wires are easily dislodged. Does not mount on a Pi – requires other hardware for mounting $$</td>
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<td>Solder</td>
<td>Dual layer – makes solder easy from top or bottom. Soldering required</td>
<td>None. Some soldering may be needed for your project</td>
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<td>Applications</td>
<td>Ideally suited for use with Raspberry Pi or Pi-clones. Also used for general prototyping with 40 pin cable. Connect points are Arduino compatible.</td>
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Specifications

Model Number: Pi-BB

Raspberry Pi Models supported
The board includes a 40-pin header. Any Raspberry Pi with a 40-pin header is supported. These are Pi 2, Pi 3, Pi Zero etc. Older Raspberry Pi models with a 26-pin header is not supported.

Input

Input Power Source: USB port on Pi-BB. Power the board or Raspberry Pi and electronics on the board.

Raspberry Pi Power Source: 5V, sourced from Raspberry Pi header, pin number 2.
3.3V sourced from pin number 1.

Input Power Source Jumper: Jumper shunt in powers the Pi. Jumper shunt out turns power off to the Pi.

Other

Max Amps: Maximum of 2.1 amps
LED: Red color. Can be disabled by removing the shunt from the LED jumper. When shunt is in, LED is on when power is provided from USB port.


Connect Points: 300 connections. Count does not include connections for 5V, 3.3V and Ground bus. Connection points broken into 30 columns (numbered) x 10 rows (labelled A-J).

Solder points: Drill size 1.4mm, Via size 1.9 to 2mm.

Header: 2x20 female header, soldered on Pi-BB following Raspberry Pi Hat guidelines for header location. Male pins appx 13mm length.

Mirrored header: Pin numbers indicated on board.
Pin #1 also indicated by square via.

Breadboard: Create a bread board using Arduino compatible headers.

Dimensions

Board dimensions: 85mm x 56mm x 10mm (2.5” x 2.2” x 0.4”). Board same size as a Raspberry Pi.

HAT compatibility: The spacer mounting holes are HAT compatible.

Weight: Less than 30 grams (1.1 oz.).

Warranty

90-day limited warranty.

Environmental

RoHS Compliant. Electronic components, board etc. are RoHS compliant.
Operating Temperature: -40°C to +85°C.
Operating Humidity: 10% to 80% non-condensing.

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