
HISTORICAL SOURCE REGISTER / 2011-2012

Before the release.

Nike Air Yeezy 2 / Black–Solar Red

Annotated contemporary articles, Korean launch photographs, and factory-label context for the February 14, 2012 US 12 sample described in the accompanying collection page.

2011	Black/Pink sample concept publicly reported; Kanye photographed wearing the colorway.
2012.02.14	The examined pair carries PROD CFM 20120214 and SAMPLE / NOT FOR RESALE markings.
2012.03.05	Contemporary publication identifies the Black/Solar Red colorway as 508214-006.
2012.06.07	Korean launch announcement lists Solar Red 250–285 mm retail sizes.
2012.06.09	Black/Solar Red and Pure Platinum enter the retail market.
2012.06.12	Korean launch photo essay documents the Seoul raffle event.

What this collection of sources establishes

The pre-release chronology and official retail identity of the Black/Solar Red model. The photographed sample markings are first-party object evidence; ownership history is a distinct provenance question.

The original reporting.

S01 / 2011-07-22

Sneaker News

Air Yeezy 2 Black/Pink — apparent early sample

The Black/Pink Yeezy 2 appeared in Watch the Throne documentary footage. The contemporary report identifies the shoe as an apparent sample, showing the color concept long before launch.

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S02 / 2011-10-31

Sneaker News

Kanye West wearing the Black/Pink Yeezy 2

Concert photography and a report of Kanye wearing the black-and-pink colorway during the opening Watch the Throne tour period.

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S03 / 2011-12-18

Sneaker News

Early Black/Pink/Mint construction photographs

Detailed pre-release photography attributed to deadstockdon shows molded heel, patterned upper, suede components and translucent outsole. Useful design reference; an early article contains a style-number inconsistency.

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Production to launch.

S04 / 2012-02-27

Sneaker News

Don C up-close Black/Pink photographs

Published 13 days after the February 14 date printed on this pair's factory label; provides original-period macro views for construction comparison.

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S05 / 2012-03-05

Sneaker News

Black/Solar Red code 508214-006 reported

The report identifies the Black/Solar Red version as style 508214-006, aligning with the model identification printed on the examined pair.

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S06 / 2012-05-15

Sneaker News

June 9 release approaches; earlier pairs limited to VIPs

Contemporary article describes limited access to Air Yeezy 2 pairs before public retail and reports the impending June 9 release.

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Seoul, June 2012.

Three surviving Korean publications provide an original-period release announcement, event photography, and close-up retail photographs.

S07 / 2012.06.07

Korean release bulletin

Korean-language release bulletin lists Solar Red style 508214-006, price KRW 289,000, 9 June release and local retail size range 250–285 mm; includes official Nike imagery.

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S09 / 2012.06.12

Seoul launch: original photographs

On-site Korean release photo essay documents the 9 June Wausan 107 raffle. The publication reports approximately 59 pairs across the two colorways, approximately 700 raffle tickets and a crowd of about 1,000.

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S10 / 2012.06.19

Retail construction: original photographs

Contemporary Korean retail-pair close-ups identify style 508214-006 and photograph the upper, outsole, materials and product details; excellent retail comparator to February sample images.

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The size distinction

The June 7 Korean bulletin describes a 250–285 mm Solar Red retail range. US 12 (nominally 300 mm) is outside that published local retail range. This does not establish how many size-12 samples Nike made.

Document the object. Cite the era.

Factory observations recorded in the accompanying 100-photograph study:

01 Korean origin and February 14, 2012 factory-stage marking: PROD CFM 20120214.

02 Interior declaration: SAMPLE / PROPERTY OF NIKE INC. / NOT FOR RESALE.

03 Style reference: Black/Black-Solar Red, 508214-006, US 12.

04 Changshin documentation is photographed separately from the sewn and printed labels.

An evidence-based presentation

A factory-marked sample dated February 14, 2012 can be identified confidently from the photographed label text. The record does not independently certify Nike authenticity, private ownership, or a continuous unworn chain of custody.

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