



# INSTRUCTION MANUAL

Full-Size HSS Electric Guitar Beginner Kit



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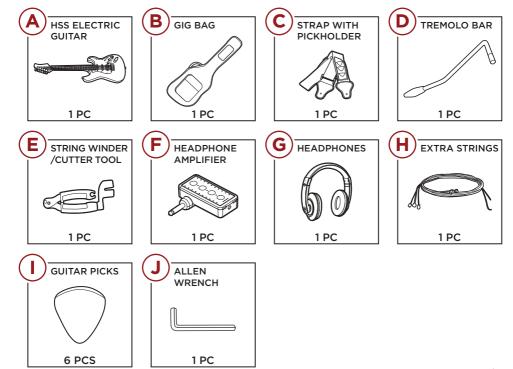
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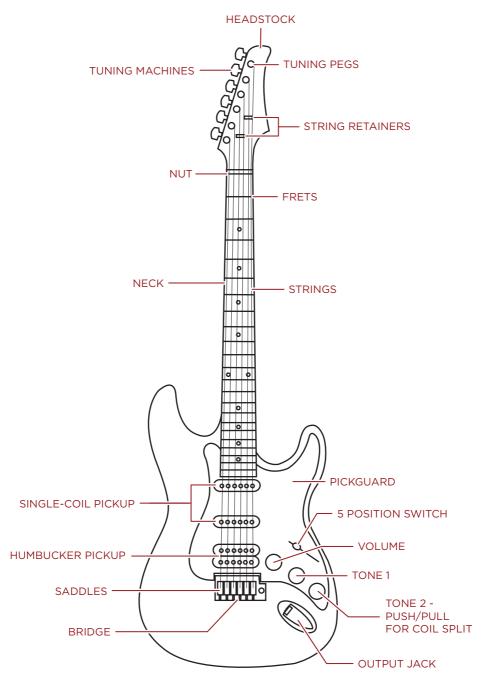
- Repairs to amplifier or electrical components of the guitar should be performed by a professional.
- To avoid risk of electrical shock, do not expose the instrument to water or excessive humidity.
- Always connect the instrument cable to guitar before connecting the cable to amplifier to avoid damage to speaker.
- Do not leave guitar unattended with volume level turned up.
- Neon or fluorescent lighting near the amplifier may cause a hum from the amplifier.
- To avoid damaging your ears, turn down the volume of amplifier before plugging in headphones or speakers.

#### **WARNINGS REGARDING BATTERIES**

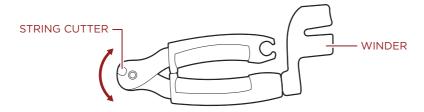
- Do not mix alkaline, standard (carbon zinc) and rechargeable (nickel hydride) batteries.
- Do not mix old and new batteries.
- Non-rechargeable batteries should not be charged.
- Rechargeable batteries should be charged under adult supervision only.
- · Exhausted batteries should be removed.
- The supply terminals should not be short-circuited.
- Do not put batteries next to or in a heat source (fire, electronic heating device, etc.).
- · Do not hit batteries against hard objects.
- · Do not submerge batteries in water.
- · Batteries should be inserted with the correct polarity.

# **PARTS**





# STRING WINDER/CUTTER TOOL DIAGRAM



#### **TUNING STRINGS**

Using an electronic guitar tuner (not provided), adjust one tuning peg at a time. Play a single note and check your tuner for accuracy, adjust as necessary until the correct note is achieved.

- Standard Guitar tuning is as follows (low to high): E, A, D, G, B, E

# **CHANGING STRINGS**

- 1. To remove a guitar string, first, find the **tuning machine** it is attached to, and its corresponding **tuning peg.** Loosen the string by unwinding the **tuning peg** until the string has no tension.
- 2. Continue to unwind the string until the string can be pulled loose from the **peg.** The strings can then be pulled out via the **bridge** through the holes in the back plate on the rear of the quitar.

**NOTE:** Depending on the setup of your guitar, it may be necessary to remove the backplate for easier access to the strings.

# **INSTALLING NEW STRINGS**

- Replace the strings by running the "Plain End" of the string through the bridge block. The bridge block is accessible through the back plate for ease of access.
  - Pull the string until the "Ball End" is seated in the bridge block.
- 2. Run the "Plain End" through the eyelet of the corresponding tuning machine. Pull tight, then retract the string back towards the bridge from the nut to the 2nd fret. This will provide the necessary slack to properly wrap the string around the peg.
  - When wrapping the string, turn the tuning machine head Clockwise (towards the end of the headstock) to increase the string tension and bring the strings up to pitch.
- 3. Wind each string 3 times around each tuning peg and perform 4 wraps for each plain string.
- **4.** After strings have been tuned to pitch (see "Tuning Strings" section), carefully stretch, and retune each string **at least twice** to achieve tuning stability.
  - **NOTE:** The amount of string stretching needed to maintain stability will vary depending on the size, material, and brand of strings as well as environmental factors.
- 5. If there is any excess string sticking out from the **tuning machine/peg**, you may clip the excess length roughly ½ of an inch from the peg.

#### **ADJUSTING TRUSS ROD**

If the string action is too high or too low in the middle of the neck, the truss rod may need to be adjusted. To access the truss rod, locate the small hole on the headstock and use an allen wrench to adjust:

- If the strings are too high, then your neck is likely over-bowed, and the truss rod should be tightened.
- If the strings are **too low** or resting on the frets, then your neck is likely under-bowed, and the **truss rod should be loosened.**

NOTE: Never adjust your truss rod more than 1/4 of a turn at a time.

#### **ADJUSTING STRING ACTION**

Once the truss rod is adjusted, if you feel that you have difficulty in fretting or hear a buzzing noise, the strings may be set too high or too low. In this case, the string action (the space between the strings and the tops of the frets) will have to be adjusted by lowering or raising the saddles located on the bridge:

- You can raise or lower the saddle by turning the screws on the saddle with an allen wrench.
- Turn the screw **clockwise to raise the saddle** and **counterclockwise to lower it.** If the saddle has two hex screws, be sure to turn them the same amount.

**NOTE:** To avoid the possibility of strings breaking during saddle adjustment, make sure to loosen the string slightly.

#### **ADJUSTING STRING INTONATION**

If you notice that your strings are fretting sharp or flat, or that your guitar is in tune near the bottom of the guitar but loses tune the further up the frets you go, you may need to **adjust the intonation**. To check and adjust the intonation:

- Tune the open string to pitch, then play the octave at the 12<sup>th</sup> fret. If both tones show as "in tune" on your electronic tuner, then the intonation is correct.
- If the octave is sharp, then adjust the **saddle** away from the nut. If the octave is flat, you will adjust the saddle forward towards the nut. Repeat the process for each string as needed.

**NOTE:** There are several factors that play a part in intonation including but not limited to the string material and gauge, and amount of bow in the neck. If the truss rod does not turn or you are not comfortable making this adjustment, consult your local repair technician.

If you find there is any resistance, or you are not comfortable making any of these adjustments, we recommend that you bring your guitar to your local music store or repair shop for a setup. A setup is considered general maintenance and shops will charge a fee for their services. It is advised that you keep your instrument properly maintained for extended use.

# **GUITAR MAINTENANCE & CARE**

**NOTE:** If there are any electrical components on your guitar which you think need to be fixed, please be aware that we recommend taking your guitar to your local music store to fix it.

If you hear any rattling or buzzing noises while playing, some hardware may be loose. You can tighten any hardware with the appropriate tool.

Dust and other foreign matter can harm the quality of the electrical components. Make sure to regularly clean and maintain your guitar, including around the tuning pegs and bridge. Do not leave your guitar exposed to the elements and be aware that guitars are sensitive to changes in temperature, humidity, and altitude.

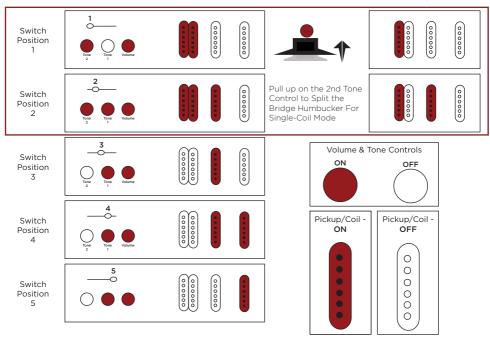
To clean your guitar, use a dry, soft cloth. If desired, guitar polish can be bought from any local music store.

# SWITCH FUNCTION

#### FULL HUMBUCKER MODE

#### SINGLE-COIL MODE

Tone controls retain same function when Humbucker Coils are Split





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Returns & Refunds

# PRODUCT WARRANTY INFORMATION

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All returned items require an RA (Return Authorization) number, which can only be provided by a Best Choice Products Customer Service Representative when the return request is submitted. Items received without an RA may not be accepted or may increase your return processing time. Once an item has been received by Best Choice Products, refunds or replacements will be processed within 5 business days.

All returns must be shipped back to the Best Choice Products Return Center at the customer's expense. If the reason for return is a result of an error by Best Choice Products then Best Choice Products will provide a pre-paid shipping label via email. Boxes for return shipping will not be provided by Best Choice Products, and is the customer's responsibility to either use the original shipping boxes or purchase new boxes.

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