

# Building Electric Guitars

Eventually, you will totally discover a extra experience and triumph by spending more cash. yet when? pull off you consent that you require to get those all needs with having significantly cash? Why dont you try to acquire something basic in the beginning? Thats something that will guide you to comprehend even more roughly speaking the globe, experience, some places, in the same way as history, amusement, and a lot more?

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*Constructing a Solid-body Guitar* - 1986

General Reference

**Build Your Own Electric Guitar** - Bill Foley 1986

**Acoustic Guitar Making** - Brian Forbes 2013-09-14

This book contains everything I wish I knew when I started making acoustic guitars over fifteen years ago. It is not an ABC book, but a companion that teaches all the things that the other books leave out. In these pages are instructions for making tools, cutting blanks, inlaying exotic woods, and hand finishing guitars. The methods described revolve around doing more with less, and getting more out of the tools already in the shop. For the thrifty guitar maker who would rather build something than buy it, this book is the right choice. • Over 500 pages of text, with more than 1600 pictures and diagrams to thoroughly and completely explain more than 200 guitar making topics. • How to use small shop tools to re-saw blanks for guitar making instead of buying them, saving money and expanding wood choice. • Instructions for almost 50 tools, templates, and jigs that can be made right in the shop, saving thousands of dollars in tool costs. These include an electric side bending iron, fret slot duplicating jig, four different types of clamps, an inexpensive hide glue pot, and more. • An explanation of the use and abilities of several common shop tools, including several specialty tools that are specific to guitar making. • A detailed section on guitar making theory, which will expand the understanding of how a guitar works, and how small changes to the structure can have big effects on tone. • Several step by step guitar making methods that make some of the more difficult processes easier and smoother in the shop. • How to make inlaying easier by using a few common shop tools, and how to make several different styles of custom inlay. • Step by step instructions for making a custom soundhole label using a powerful free program called Pixlr, to add the final touch to any guitar. • A thorough finishing section that teaches anyone how to apply an amazing finish without having to buy expensive spray equipment. • A guitar making and wood working glossary with thorough definitions and explanations of more than 600 terms.

**Cigar Box Guitars** - David Sutton 2012

Cigar box guitars have never been more popular and now crafters can learn to make their own. All they need to do is follow the author's step-by-step instructions for making three different styles of guitar. They're fun (some would say addictive) to build and even more fun to play.

**Building Electric Guitars** - Martin Koch 2020-12-15

This book explains step by step, with over 1800 photos and more than 600 illustrations how to layout and build your own electric guitar. Build an entire guitar in a small room on a homemade multifunctional work table. Only a router and some easy-to-make jigs are required to prepare the wood.

*The Fender Electric Guitar Book* - Tony Bacon 2007

Fender's guitars have long been the instruments of choice for artists such as Jeff Beck, Eric Clapton, Jimi Hendrix, and Stevie Ray Vaughan. This book tells the complete story of Fender guitars, detailing classics such as the Telecaster, Stratocaster, and Jazzmaster as well as lesser-known (and less successful) models. Dozens of photos reveal Fender's storied craftsmanship, while the text includes collector details for all models. The reference section lists all models and their statistics.

**Classic Guitar Construction** - Irving Sloane 1989

*Inventing the American Guitar* - Robert Shaw 2013

INVENTING THE AMERICAN GUITAR: THE PRE-CIVIL WAR INNOVATIONS OF C.F. MARTIN AND HIS CON

**How to Make Your Electric Guitar Play Great!** - Dan Erlewine 2012

New in this edition: --

*The PRS Electric Guitar Book* - Dave Burrel 2014-08

THE PRS GUITAR BOOK: A COMPLETE HISTORY OF PAUL REED SMITH GUITARS

*Gruhn's Guide to Vintage Guitars* - George Gruhn 1999

The original version of this guide has sold over 30,000 copies. This new edition has been expanded by 25% and promises to become an invaluable resource. For collectors, dealers and players, this completely updated "field guide" provides specifications, serial numbers, and more for determining the originality of vintage American acoustic and electric fretted instruments. Detailing thousands of models by every major manufacturer, the book now includes expanded coverage of Martin, Guild, Mosrite, Dobro, Gibson banjos, Fender amps, Gibson amps, plus updates on the latest models from Fender, Gibson, Rickenbacker, and others since 1990.

**Classical Guitar Making** - John S. Bogdanovich 2007

"Renowned luthier John S. Bogdanovich crafted the project shown inside for his own personal use. The design he presents is simple but elegant and is a composite of ideas borrowed from several different guitars admired for their tonal qualities and aesthetic details. In close-up photographs Bogdanovich invites you to stand by his side and follow the entire process from start to finish. He offers guidance through every step, and explains every decision, from the arrangement of his workbench and the selection of the wood, to tuning and setting up the instrument. Bogdanovich also provides a choice of alternative methods and materials -- to help you find your own style of working, and to enable you to add your personal touches to your project. By the time your instrument is finished, you'll have acquired a world of knowledge, from the difference between quartersawn and flat-sawn wood to the pros and cons of lacquer versus French polish. You'll have mastered dozens of skills, including bending and aminating wood and cutting and seating wire frets. Best of all, you'll have a beautiful instrument, designed to your own specifications, that will give pleasure to everyone who hears it." -- Book jacket.

**Clapton's Guitar** - Allen St. John 2005-10-12

New York Times bestselling author Allen St. John started off looking for the world's greatest guitar, but what he found instead was the world's greatest guitar builder. Living and working in Rugby, Virginia (population 7), retired rural mail carrier Wayne Henderson is a true American original, making America's finest instruments using little more than a pile of good wood and a sharp whittling knife. There's a 10-year waiting list for Henderson's heirloom acoustic guitars—and even a musical legend like Eric Clapton must wait his turn. Partly out of self-interest, St. John prods Henderson into finally building Clapton's guitar, and soon we get to pull up a dusty stool and watch this Stradivari in glue-stained blue jeans work his magic. The story that ensues will captivate you with its portrait of a world where craftsmanship counts more than commerce, and time is measured by old jokes, old-time music, and homemade lemon pies shared by good friends.

*Making an Archtop Guitar* - Robert Benedetto 1994

(Guitar). The definitive work on the design and construction of an acoustic archtop guitar by one of the most talented luthiers of the twentieth century. Benedetto walks the reader through all aspects of construction through to marketing your finished work. Includes a list of suppliers to acquire all the tools and materials listed; a list of serial numbers for Benedetto guitars; full-color plates featuring the author's models; photos from the author's personal scrapbook of players who endorse his guitars; and fold-out templates for construction. 8-1/2 x 11 .

**Making Poor Man's Guitars** - Shane Speal 2018-10-09

Many books have been written about how to build cigar box guitars and other unique hand-made instruments... but few have touched on why. This book presents the authentic stories of American DIY music with step-by-step projects, photo studies of antique instruments, interviews with music legends, and historical accounts. Shane Speal, the "King of the Cigar Box Guitar," brings the making of music and musical instruments back to its roots. From a simple two-string tin can guitar to an electrified washtub bass, Shane shows how anyone can build amazing musical instruments from found items. Sidebars present the fascinating backstory of the music, capturing struggle, poverty and the blues within

the artistic side of cigar box guitar building. Featuring an introduction from the New Orleans Museum of Jazz, this DIY musical instrument book is as inspirational to read in the living room as it is in the workshop.

**How to Build Electric Guitars** - Will Kelly 2012-06-15

In the past few years the market for electric guitar kits and parts has exploded. For every two enthusiasts, there are four opinions on how properly to fill woodgrain. In this book, Will Kelly cuts through all that noise and shows how, with a little patience and some inexpensive tools, the average person can turn a modest investment into a gig-worthy instrument and perhaps even a lifelong hobby. Kelly presents guitar-building in a progressive fashion, beginning with a simple Stratocaster-style kit with a bolt-on neck and continuing on to a "relic'd" Telecaster-style build, two Gibson-style set-neck models, and a custom double-neck mash-up. Because each build is more involved than the previous, the reader builds on his or her skill set and acquires only the tools necessary for the reader's level of interest. Kelly shows how to apply finishes, choose and install hardware, wire electronics, execute the final assembly, and set up the finished guitar for proper action and intonation.

**Build Your Own Electric Guitar** - Martin Oakham 2007-04

Aiming to take the mystery out of guitar making, this comprehensive book includes step-by-step colour photographs, diagrams and clear instructions for each procedure. Containing information on design, wood selection, hardware, tools and techniques, it allows you to select almost every element to create your own instrument.

**Guitar Player Repair Guide** - Dan Erlewine 1994

Covers set-up, maintenance, tuners, acoustic adjustments, nut replacement, fret dressing, refretting, guitar electronics, finish application and repair, and useful tools

**Handmade Music Factory** - Mike Orr 2011-11-01

Learn how to make eight of the most unique and imaginative instruments found anywhere - from a one-string guitar made from a soup can, to a hubcap banjo. Author Mike Orr takes you inside the growing trend of handmade music and shows you how with a little creativity and some salvaged parts, you can create your own arsenal of instruments that look good, sound great, and deliver some foot stompin' fun!

**Guitarmaking: Tradition and Technology** - William Cumpiano 1994-02

Hailed by Guitar Player magazine as "perhaps the finest book on guitars ever produced," and by Booklist as "a Rolls Royce of construction guidebooks," this impressive volume is the first book of its kind to describe in depth how both steel-string and classical guitars are actually designed and built. Over 450 photographs, drawings, and diagrams reveal in exquisite detail the hows, whys, and how-to's of the traditional craft of guitarmaking, all accompanied by fascinating historical and technical notes. A comprehensive bibliography; a list of tools, materials, and supply sources; and a full index complete this uniquely authoritative reference -- and essential acquisition -- for guitar and craft enthusiasts, woodworkers, and students of instrument making everywhere.

**Building Electric Guitars** - Martin Koch 2001-08

"Explains step by step, with almost 600 photos and more than 100 illustrations, how to build an electric guitar"--Back cover.

**Electric Guitar Construction** - Tom Hirst 2003

"A guide for the first time builder. The definitive work on the design and construction of a solid body electric guitar." --back cover.

**Play It Loud** - Brad Tolinski 2016-10-25

The inspiration for the Play It Loud exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum of Art "Every guitar player will want to read this book twice. And even the casual music fan will find a thrilling narrative that weaves together cultural history, musical history, race, politics, business case studies, advertising, and technological discovery." —Daniel Levitin, Wall Street Journal For generations the electric guitar has been an international symbol of freedom, danger, rebellion, and hedonism. In Play It Loud, veteran music journalists Brad Tolinski and Alan di Perna bring the history of this iconic instrument to roaring life. It's a story of inventors and iconoclasts, of scam artists, prodigies, and mythologizers as varied and original as the instruments they spawned. Play It Loud uses twelve landmark guitars—each of them artistic milestones in their own right—to illustrate the conflict and passion the instruments have inspired. It introduces Leo Fender, a man who couldn't play a note but whose innovations helped transform the guitar into the explosive sound machine it is today. Some of the most significant social movements of the twentieth century are indebted to the guitar: It was an essential element in the fight for racial equality in the entertainment industry; a mirror to the rise of the teenager as social force; a linchpin of punk's sound and ethos. And today the guitar has come full circle, with contemporary titans such as Jack White of The White Stripes, Annie Clark (aka St.

Vincent), and Dan Auerbach of The Black Keys bringing some of the earliest electric guitar forms back to the limelight. Featuring interviews with Les Paul, Keith Richards, Carlos Santana, Eddie Van Halen, Steve Vai, and dozens more players and creators, Play It Loud is the story of how a band of innovators transformed an idea into a revolution.

**The Electric Guitar** - André Millard 2004-07-20

"In The Electric Guitar, scholars working in American studies, business history, the history of technology, and musicology come together to explore the instrument's importance as an invention and its peculiar place in American culture. Documenting the critical and evolving relationship among inventors, craftsmen, musicians, businessmen, music writers, and fans, the contributors look at the guitar not just as an instrument but as a mass produced consumer good that changed the sound of popular music and the self-image of musicians."--BOOK JACKET. *Contemporary Acoustic Guitar Design and Build (2nd Edition)* - Trevor Gore 2016-05-01

Contemporary Acoustic Guitar Design and Build is for everyone who wants to understand more about designing and building acoustic guitars using methods based on the acoustical and engineering sciences and contemporary small workshop practices. For the first time, the sound output of a guitar is comprehensively related both theoretically and practically to the instrument's woodwork, providing a logical and scientific method for designing guitars and real answers to questions that have challenged luthiers for centuries. Instruments built using these techniques are measurably more powerful, in-tune, responsive and playable than just about anything for sale in a music store. The differences are immediately audible. First time builders and experts alike will find these volumes invaluable. Building instructions and full sized plans are provided for four different types of guitar. But the real purpose of these volumes is to provide a design and build methodology that will allow the reader to construct just about any type of flat top guitar; the "perfect guitar" for yourself or your customer, using the same techniques that provide the quality and consistency required by pragmatic luthiers who make guitars for a living.

**The Luthier's Handbook** - Roger H. Siminoff 2002

(Book). An essential item for the instrument builder, The Luthier's Handbook explores the secrets and science behind making good-sounding acoustic stringed instruments. Renowned author Roger H. Siminoff brings to the table more than four decades of luthiery experience and shares the time-tested philosophies, tips and technology of the craft. As the ideal complement to other books on building instruments, this text describes the structural and acoustical attributes of air chambers; what to listen for when tap-tuning; selecting a good piece of wood; placement of the braces and tone bars and how to tune them; how to select the right strings; what to consider in bridge design concepts; and much more. Includes a free String Gauge Calculator for determining the right set of strings.

**Building an Electric Guitar** - Glen D. Davis 2017-03-01

Glen Davis shows you how to turn ordinary construction-grade lumber into a playable electric guitar. This book covers building a body and neck from ordinary lumber, and continues on to more complex tasks of guitar building such as changing the fret scale, installing and leveling frets, and guitar setup. There is something for every aspect of the build, including paint and finish, and design and part choices. This book covers everything you need to build an electric guitar using standard lumber yard materials, and tools that should be in the average home shop. Glen has built and repaired many guitars. This book is an attempt to remove some of the mystery from the process, and make building a guitar possible for anyone who has tools and ability. Over 100 full color pictures.

**Build Your Own Electric Guitar** - Paul Balmer 2013-05-01

This all-color, fully illustrated practical book brings the unique Haynes 'Build your own' approach to a new audience. Comprehensive step-by-step procedures show both novice and experienced guitarists how to build their very own unique, high-spec custom S-type instrument, tailor-made for their needs, for far less than the cost of buying a factory-built equivalent. Various body, neck and hardware options are covered to suit all requirements, along with advice on how to build a guitar to give the desired sound. Details of fine-tuning, along with set-up advice, helps to ensure that the finished guitar will be a joy to own and play

**The Box Maker's Guitar Book** - Doug Stowe 2017

If you've ever wanted to make a guitar, you probably got overwhelmed quickly. The Boxmaker's Guitar Book takes you back to basics with the simple reminder that all woodworkers and maker's know how to make boxes. From that building block, you can create a beautiful guitar that

sounds good, too. With simple construction techniques, author Doug Stowe breaks down the guitar into its component parts so you can mix and match to create your own unique instrument. You'll learn how to create sound holes, necks, frets, nuts, tail pieces, bridges, and all the pieces you need to complete your musical masterpiece. The 15 easy projects in *The Boxmaker's Guitar* include more than just a flat-sided box--try your hand at a scissor-tail or K-body design, or even a ukulele. With a minimal investment of time and tools, you can have a sweet-sounding box guitar to strum on your own or give to a friend.

**Make Your Own Electric Guitar** - Melvyn Hiscock 2021-09

The first choice of aspiring guitar makers for more than 30 years. For some, it is not enough to buy a guitar--the challenge of designing and hand-making a unique, customized instrument is the dream. Since 1986, these people have turned to one book: *Make Your Own Electric Guitar*. Written in a clear, relaxed style, it covers every facet of guitar design and construction, as well as electronic theory and practice, and full woodworking and wiring techniques--all supported with plenty of photos and diagrams. Now in a revised and expanded third edition, *Make Your Own Electric Guitar* will enable any musician or enthusiast with basic woodworking skills to create a uniquely valuable instrument.

**Earth Day** - Melissa Ferguson 2021

Earth Day celebrates our beautiful planet and calls us to act on its behalf. Some people spend the day planting flowers or trees. Others organize neighborhood clean-ups, go on nature walks, or make recycled crafts. Readers will discover how a shared holiday can have multiple traditions and be celebrated in all sorts of ways.

**Build Your Own Acoustic Guitar** - Jonathan Kinkead 2004

(Book). Every guitarist dreams of owning a handmade instrument, but for most, the cost is likely to be prohibitive. The alternative building your own fine guitar is not as difficult as you might imagine, given some skill, patience, and the expert guidance of a master luthier. Every step of construction is fully covered, from choice, selection, and preparation of woods, to consideration of size, bracing, and tonal qualities. Each step of the building sequence is clearly photographed in color, with variations to the standard design shown to enable you to personalize your instrument as you make it. Briston, England-based Jonathan Kinkead has been building guitars for nearly 30 years. His craft is born out of experience and intuition rather than a strict following of technical detail. The resulting beauty of form and distinctive tone have earned him his reputation as one of the world's most respected independent luthiers.

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**Making a Laminated Hollowbody Electric Guitar** - Jim English 2004

If you think that making a guitar is impossible, then this book is for you. The only one of its' kind, this book will teach you how to make a laminated archtop guitar. It can be done in a relatively small space and does not require many tools or expensive machinery, just a desire to do it. The book came about as the result of a suggestion and urging of my friend, Bob Benedetto. Because no other book is available for this type on construction, it is written in an easy to understand format and is priced so that almost anyone can afford it. It contains drawings and pictures with step by step easy to follow instructions so as to eliminate any guesswork. This book took four years to complete and is designed to help someone who wants to make this kind of guitar. It should serve as an excellent guide.

**Guitar Genius** - Kim Tomsic 2019-04-09

This is the story of how Les Paul created the world's first solid-body electric guitar, countless other inventions that changed modern music, and one truly epic career in rock and roll. How to make a microphone? A broomstick, a cinderblock, a telephone, a radio. How to make an electric guitar? A record player's arm, a speaker, some tape. How to make a legendary inventor? A few tools, a lot of curiosity, and an endless faith in

what is possible. Featuring richly detailed, dynamic illustrations by Brett Helquist, this unforgettable biography will resonate with inventive readers young and old.

**Brian May's Red Special** - Brian May 2014

BRIAN MAY'S RED SPECIAL: THE STORY OF THE HOME-MADE GUITAR THAT ROCKED QUEEN AND THE WO

**The Art of Lutherie** - TOM BILLS 2015-10-06

The Art Of Lutherie offers a glimpse into the mind and craft of luthier Tom Bills, whom many consider to be one of the most talented luthiers today. In this beautifully written and enjoyable read, Tom elegantly and clearly shares his best-kept secrets and methods of custom guitar making - those which make his guitars favorites among top collectors and players. Tom's unique approach to The Art Of Lutherie will empower and inspire you to create more than just a guitar, but a truly unique work of art. The information that is generously shared within this insightful and timeless work is both practical and applicable. It contains the same hard-won wisdom that only comes from years of experience and experimentation that Tom uses in creating his inspiring instruments. Over the years, he has produced instruments considered to be some of the best-sounding guitars ever made. Learning the steps of how to build a guitar is important, but understanding why master luthiers take those steps and make those decisions can empower you to make your own educated choices. This will allow you to create unique guitars, and the world needs your art, your guitars - your important contribution. The Art Of Lutherie, a truly unique and inspiring guide, can prepare you to reach new heights when designing and creating unique guitars. It is not often I heap such lavish praise on people; however, Tom is in this case more than deserving: I know of no other luthier whose work I respect more. Tom knows his craft inside and out; he pours his soul into every guitar he makes; he uses cutting-edge science to guide his work, and it shows...as head of Artist Relations and Product Development at Mel Bay, it gives me great pleasure to publish Tom's work, which will no doubt take the art of lutherie to a new level. I hope you'll spend some time soaking in this book - it will certainly augment your musicality - Collin Bay. Includes access to online video

**Make Your Own Electric Guitar and Bass** - Dennis Waring 2001

Presents detailed instructions for building a standard 6-string solid body model guitar and bass, using common tools and easy-to-order materials, and providing resources for obtaining electronic components and other hardware. Includes pictures and diagrams of each aspect of the construction: body shape, bridge types, neck and headstock, cutting and shaping, and assembly.

**Electric Guitar Making & Marketing** - Leo Lospennato 2015-06-14

This book tells you everything about building professional electric guitars, from the selection of the wood all the way up to the finishing and the setup. It's all about leaving your dent in the universe in the shape of the most beautiful, incredibly sounding guitar you can make. But building a guitar professionally starts before you even cut the wood: You need to setup a proper workplace, define your identity as guitar maker, and decide the guiding principles of your endeavor as luthier. And then you have to sell the things, of course. So the last part is focused in the marketing process. You will read about positioning your brand, pricing your instruments, photographing them, promoting them, building a great website for your lutherie business, using social networking to show your work to the world, and managing and closing guitar sales. Written by renowned luthier Leo Lospennato (author of the bestseller "Electric Guitar and Bass Design") this book represents the new standard in solid-body guitar making, and the only resource that presents in depth both the technical and commercial aspects of the fascinating art of building musical instruments."

**Building an Electric Archtop Guitar** - Jean-pierre Laplante 2011-10-04

Master guitar maker J.P. Laplante shares the joy of guitar-making in this book. Here is an illustrated step-by-step guide to Building an Electric Archtop Guitar. Building an electric archtop guitar can be a pretty intimidating project but, it becomes much less so if you're guided, step-by-step, through the building process. With almost 20 years of experience in custom guitar making, the author details the step-by-step making of an electric archtop guitar using commercially available laminated top and back plates. Laminated plates have been the standard used on the vast majority of electric archtops since the 50's, and definitely represent a cost and time effective solution, especially for those tackling a first archtop project. Complete and comprehensive, all aspects of the construction are covered, from the initial design stage to the very final setup. The text is supported by over 300 high-resolution

colour photographs positioned throughout the 15 chapters of the book. These pictures were taken as the three guitars featured on the back and

front cover of the book were being built. For more info/background, visit my website at [www.lapanteguitars.com](http://www.lapanteguitars.com)