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Guitar Repair Prices

Set Up

Acoustic Guitar - £55.00 plus strings (12 string add £5)

Electric Guitar - £60.00 plus strings (Floyd Rose tremolo - add £5)

The guitar is given a full service:

The fretboard is cleaned and oiled where necessary whilst the frets are polished to give an ultra-smooth playing area. The electric components are cleaned and the pickup height set. The guitar is restrung with the strings of your choice, the neck checked for trueness and the truss rod adjusted to give the correct amount of relief for the string gauge chosen.

In addition to this the action is set and the smooth passage of the strings over the top-nut and saddle assured. The guitar is tuned to pitch and the intonation set to maintain correct tuning all the way up the neck.

Lastly, the guitar is given a playing test, and the smooth operation of tuning machines and vibrato systems is checked.

Neck Reset. From £400

Over time many guitars suffer from poor neck angle, where the neck pulls forward compromising action adjustment and string break angle.

The procedure involves the careful removal of the neck, recutting the neck tenon/dovetail before refitting and touching in the finish.

Neck Reset – Bolt on acoustic. From £165

Many modern acoustic guitars incorporate a bolt on neck system. Some are full bolt-on eg Taylor. Others have a combination of glue and bolts.

These neck resets are usually easier to accomplish and less invasive than a traditional dovetail joint.

Includes set-up.

Fretstone: £60.00 plus the cost of a set up

The frets are leveled, re-profiled and polished to remove playing wear and high spots and to give the smoothest possible rattle-free playing surface. The guitar then receives a full set up as above.

Refrets: Bound F/B from £270.00 + materials

Un-bound F/B from £240.00 + materials

Stainless steel frets add £40

The existing frets are carefully removed, and the fretboard leveled and cambered to provide the perfect surface for the new frets to sit.

The neck is fretted with your choice of fretwire which is then leveled, profiled and polished before the whole guitar is given a full set up as above.

Compound radius cambers, scalloped fretboards and custom inlay work can all be accommodated.

The leveling of lacquered fingerboards may require the re-lacquering of the fingerboard face. **£90.00 extra**

A substantial increase in fret height will necessitate the fitting of a new top nut; the cost of the top nut blank should be added to the above prices.

Top Nuts: From £45.00

(blank available in Bone, Graphite ,Tusq" .)

The fitting and shaping of a new top nut of your chosen material. The precision cutting and lubrication of the string slots for spacing, depth and width.

Fitting Undersaddle Pickup: from £45.00

To obtain optimum results from these pickups, equal pressure must be applied by the strings along the entire pickup length. To ensure this, the saddle slot and saddle base must be perfectly flat. The work involves the re-routing of the saddle slot where necessary and voicing of the saddle to give a balanced output for when amplified. The action is set at the original height unless specified otherwise.

Electrical repairs: From £25.00

Complete rewire: From £45.00

The work involves the replacement of faulty components and associated wiring. A rewire involves the complete rebuilding of the guitars circuit, replacing faulty parts and fitting new components where requested.

Routing of the guitar body or scratchplate eg: fitting of a humbucker pickup to a Fender Strat, **£30.00 extra**

Wiring mods and upgrades: From £25.00

Eg: 4 way Telecaster mod, PRS/Strat mod, Jimmy Page Les Paul mod

Variac/Roland GK transplants: From £180.00 Call for details.

Pickup repairs, rewinds and modifications. From £30

Whether it be a rewind of a broken pickup, customizing an existing pickup or a bespoke one off custom pickup built to your spec. All is possible.

Rewinds are done to match the existing spec where possible. This involves electrical reading of existing pickups and calculating from known reference pickups. Customising can take the form of alternative magnets on humbuckers (Alnico II, III, IV & V or Ceramic) adding 4 conductor connectivity or altering the coil by adding windings or peeling it to alter the output characteristics. E-mail for details.

Pickup Potting: from £20.00 per pickup

Feedback problems and high-pitched squeals can often be the fault of microphonic pickups where the coil inside the pickup vibrates. Dipping the pickup in a low temperature wax can greatly reduce this problem. The wax penetrates the coil and when set, prevents the wire coils from vibrating.

Custom Made Necks: From £450.

Replacement necks handcrafted to your specifications. You have complete control over all design aspects: timber, scale length, inlays, fretboard camber, nut width, headstock shape, neck profile etc. The neck is finished in your preferred material; lacquer, oil, wax etc. and fitted to your guitar. The guitar is then given a full set up to complete the ultimate custom guitar.

Parts Build: from £210

Everyone from Gilmour to Van Halen has owned a "bitsa". Price includes assembly, wiring and set up of pre finished parts from aftermarket suppliers. Does not include finishing or any additional woodworking that may be required.

Custom Build:

Your dream guitar, hand crafted to your specifications. From design to finished instrument you have complete control to create the ultimate custom instrument. Whether it's a one-off unique electric, a custom designed acoustic, or an exact vintage replica. **Call for details.**

**All prices exclude parts and strings.
Other prices available on request**