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Guitar, the Australian Journey

The quintessential guide on how to become a roadie.

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Written for those who are serious about becoming a roadie or for those who are just curious to see how the live entertainment industry REALLY works on all levels. Learn about the different types of roadie jobs and how to find training for these jobs. Tips on how to find work and how not to look like a rookie on your first day. A must have for anyone who has ever toured or for those who have a roadie in their life. Also makes a great novelty gift for your favorite rock fan.

The Ultimate Bluegrass Mandolin Construction Manual

(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.

The Making of Stringed Instruments

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The story of *The Uke Book Illustrated* begins in the workshop of Master Luthier John Weissenrieder. He has been building classical guitars for over 15 years. Sarah Greenbaum, a painter from New York, met John in Italy and expressed her fascination and interest in the construction of musical instruments. Over a couple of cappuccinos, an idea sparked: to create a beautifully illustrated book about how a musical instrument is made. Not just a manual, but also an artistically conceived and executed book that portrays the poetry and mystery of this ancient trade, showing innumerable practical aspects of the preparation and selection of materials, assembly and construction, the tools and jigs, and how to approach the work. Fundamentally, *The Uke Book Illustrated* is about the process of the construction of a ukulele. But what makes it so special, and so groundbreaking in the woodworking and craft category, is that it clearly explains every step of the process through concise notes and informative drawings in the format of a graphic novel. Anyone who wants to use this book as a guide or manual, will be able to proceed chapter by chapter and drawing by drawing during the realization of his or her own instrument. Anyone wanting to gain insight into how a musical instrument is made will appreciate the clear and informative line drawings and the beautiful watercolor illustrations that fill every page of *The Uke Book Illustrated*. In the end, this book is not just for crafters and woodworkers, but for musicians, artists, and anyone who enjoys a good story or is fascinated by the process of creating something with one's own hands"

Jean Sibelius's Violin Concerto

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.

The Luthier's Handbook

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

Left-brain Lutherie

Translated from Russian by Simeon N. Jurist. An

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elementary method in one volume consisting of four parts. Part One introduces all the fundamentals including note reading and chordal accompaniment. Each succeeding part advances the player through the positions. Part Four contains supplementary repertoire.

Engineering the Guitar

(Book). Siminoff's Luthier Glossary is a first-edition compendium of more than 800 technical terms used in the design, construction, and production of string musical instruments. The handy 6"x9" softcover text is intended for all levels of builders from beginners to advanced, and features descriptions of parts, techniques, tools, adhesives, finishes, machinery, woods, stains, acoustics, and legal terms. The Appendix includes numerous valuable data tables along with two dozen color plates to help recognize the tonewoods and decorative woods used in lutherie.

Guitar Player Repair Guide

GUITAR. In this title, the Sussex based author provides accessible text, clear instructions, step-by-step photographs and a full-size plan of the guitar. Readers will learn how to make a steel-stringed OM cutaway guitar with 14 frets from scratch, following the clear step-by-step photographs and straightforward instructions. Suitable even for woodworkers with a basic level of skills, this is a rewarding project to undertake and will no doubt

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become a family heirloom. Packed full of handy information and expert tips, close guidance through the whole process from choosing the materials to the final stringing up and a full-size plan of the guitar to follow, readers can't go wrong. Plus this revised and updated edition features new and expanded material on: power tools and jigs, bolt-on and dovetail neck joints, alternative ways of making a guitar body, soundboard bracing for a Classical guitar and much more.

The Official Roadie Handbook

(Book). This renowned author walks banjo players through masterful techniques to maximize the performance of their instrument. Step-by-step instructions cover: tone chamber fit, tailpiece angle, bridge selection, neck angle and heel fit, head adjustments, air chamber tap-tuning and resonator adjustments, string gauge selection, head selection, and much more. Each chapter provides a detailed background and analysis of the parts to be adjusted and explores the differences between archtop, flattop, tube-and-plate, and one-piece flange banjos. More than 100 photos, illustrations and charts make this technical guide easy to follow. To round out this already unique text, amplifications tips are provided by legendary banjo player extraordinaire Earl Scruggs, considered the father of bluegrass music. 80 pages, 9 x 12

Electric Guitar Construction

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(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.

The Art of Lutherie

"In the 1960s and 1970s, Randy Wood was one of the pioneers in the vintage instrument industry. He brought cherished pre-WWII instruments back to life, many of which owners and buyers thought could not be repaired. He crafted his own instruments as well and was operating in Nashville during the resurgence of country music and the rapid evolution of the music industry into a business juggernaut. All the while Wood's instruments collectively found their way into the hands of some of country music, and the music industry's, more renowned artists. Daniel Wile presents Wood as an important component of the overall history of country music in Nashville and beyond and presents his craftsmanship of stringed

instruments as functional, musical works of art"--

Step-by-step Guitar Making

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

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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

Guide to the Contemporary Harp

(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 .

The Uke Book Illustrated

The story of the guitar in Australia Here is the fascinating story of the guitar in Australia. Chris describes luthiers, artists, collectors and guitar lovers. He ranges across all guitar styles including the variations of jazz, blues, classical, folk, country and rock, blending history, personal encounters, interviews, and travelogue. Interviews with guitar

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makers around the country and with Australian musicians are mixed with accounts of inspiring performances where the guitar has played a prominent role. Throughout this story Chris describes in beautiful detail how a guitar was made just for him. Chris Johnson's passion for the guitar shines through his writing and will connect with anyone who enjoys this most versatile instrument. With a Foreword by Jeff Lang.

Classic Guitar Construction

by Paul Balmer Most rock and pop guitarists begin their playing on an acoustic guitar, and the advent of MTV's Unplugged and improvements in acoustic amplification mean this once poor relation has returned to centre stage although, of course, the acoustic guitar has always reigned supreme in classical, flamenco, folk, delta blues and country music. Superbly illustrated and designed, the manual includes case studies of key models from a Martin D28 to a Yamaha budget classic and explains in detail how to set up, maintain and repair most popular types of acoustic guitar. a must-buy Total Guitar

Acoustic Guitar Manual

The Phoenix Guitar Company's Guide to Guitarmaking for the Small Shop is an easy-to-follow, step-by-step guide describing how three very different types of guitars (steel string, archtop, and classical) can be built using very similar methods. In a small shop, where space (and manpower) is limited, a

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guitarmaker needs to optimize his or her working area and methodology. This book demonstrates how to simplify procedures in a shop, allowing the guitarmaker to build several types of guitar without needing lots of room. The Phoenix Guitar Company's Guide to Guitarmaking for the Small Shop includes over six hundred photos and illustrations, along with tips, recommendations, and jigs to help beginners and advanced builders alike.

Building Electric Guitars

"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 laminating wood and cutting and seating wire frets. Best of all, you'll have a

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beautiful instrument, designed to your own specifications, that will give pleasure to everyone who hears it." -- Book jacket.

Siminoff's Luthiers Glossary

This is an encyclopedic, large-format book containing hundreds of illustrations. While not geared toward making conventional instruments, Musical Instrument Design provides all the information that anyone (amateur or professional) should ever need to construct an amazingly wide variety of percussion, string, and wind instruments. Includes many designs along with parts lists and detailed construction instructions.

Lutherie Woods and Steel String Guitars

A complete reference for the design and construction of the steel-string folk guitar and the classical guitar.

Guitarmaking: Tradition and Technology

On the cusp of the Uke resurgence, this is the first book to present the simple step-by-step process of building a ukulele. The ukulele's appeal among the young and enormous craft-nation of MAKERs makes this project a 'must-do.'

The Phoenix Guitar Company's Guide to Guitarmaking for the Small Shop

(Book). The Ultimate Bluegrass Mandolin Construction

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Manual is the most complete step-by-step treatise ever written on building an acoustical string instrument. Siminoff, a renowned author and luthier, applies over four decades of experience to guide beginners to pros through detailed chapters on wood selection, cutting, carving, shaping, assembly, inlays, fretting, binding and assembly of an F-style mandolin. A special highlight is an in-depth chapter on the art of tap tuning. This fully-illustrated manual boasts more than 250 photos, a full-color section on the staining and finishing processes, numerous detailed illustrations, and a bonus set of 20 full-size blueprints. Spiral bound.

Constructing a 5-string Banjo

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

Musical Instrument Design

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,

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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.

Making an Archtop Guitar

Build Your Own Acoustic Guitar

Harp and harp music have enjoyed a renaissance over the past century and today can be heard in a broad array of musical contexts. *Guide to the Contemporary Harp* is a comprehensive resource that examines the vibrant present-day landscape of the harp. The authors explore the instrument from all angles, beginning with organology; moving through composition, notation, and playing techniques; and concluding with the contemporary repertoire for the harp. The rapid diversification in these areas of harp performance is the result of both technological innovations in harp making, which have produced the electric harp and MIDI harp, and innovative composers and players. These new instruments and techniques have broadened the concept of what is possible and what constitutes harp music for today. *Guide to the Contemporary Harp* is an essential guide for any harpist looking to push the instrument and its music to new heights.

Elementary Method for the Balalaika

String players face a bewildering array of terms related to their instruments. Because string playing is a living art form, passed directly from master to student, the words used to convey complex concepts such as bow techniques and fingering systems have developed into an extensive vocabulary that can be complicated, vague, and even contradictory. Many of these terms are derived from French, Italian, or German, yet few appear in any standard music

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dictionary. Moreover, the gulf separating classical playing from fiddle, bluegrass, jazz, and other genres has generated style-specific terms rarely codified into any reference work. *All Things Strings: An Illustrated Dictionary* bridges this gap, serving as the only comprehensive resource for the terminology used by the modern string family of instruments. All of the terms pertaining to violin, viola, cello, and double bass, inclusive of all genres and playing styles, are defined, explained, and illustrated in a single text. Entries include techniques from shifting to fingerboard mapping to thumb position; the entire gamut of bowstrokes; terms found in orchestral parts; instrument structure and repair; accessories and equipment; ornaments (including those used in jazz and bluegrass); explanations of various bow holds; conventions of orchestral playing; and types of strings, as well as information on a select number of famous luthiers, influential pedagogues, and legendary performers. *All Thing Strings* is expertly illustrated with original drawings by T. M. Larsen and musical examples from the standard literature. Appendixes include an extensive bibliography of recommended reading for string players and a detailed chart of bowstrokes showing notation and explaining execution. As the single best source for understanding string instruments and referencing all necessary terminology, *All Things Strings* is an essential tool for performers, private teachers, college professors, and students at all levels. It is also an invaluable addition to the libraries of orchestra directors and composers wishing to better understand the complexities of string playing. With the inclusion of terms relevant to all four modern string

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instruments played in all genres—from jazz to bluegrass to historically informed performance—this resource serves the needs of every string musician.

The Bass Handbook

With clear instructions and over 500 detailed diagrams, Buchanan provides a practical guide to making a range of stringed instruments such as a violin, a classical guitar, a viola, a cello, a mandolin and a mandola, all in straight-forward terms.

Make Your Own Ukulele

This indispensable handbook helps players of all levels produce better, more creative, and more varied bass lines. Divided into two sections - Playing Your Bass and Knowing Your Bass - it covers everything from tuning, reading music, scales and chords, and advanced techniques to tips on buying and upgrading a budget bass and troubleshooting. Along with a list of suggested listening and reference guide, this book provides an unrivalled digest of bass information that might otherwise take an entire career to amass. It begins with a 'Basics' section that assumes nothing about your ability. 'Scales and Chords' shows you how to add other notes to your bass lines and includes exercises to extend musical knowledge and train your ear. It develops your understanding of the links between chords and scales, helping you to play from a chord chart or to improvise when required. Most of the ideas and techniques can be achieved without reading music at all, although the information is there

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for those who can. The 'Reading music' section develops an intuitive approach using pattern recognition rather than the usual mechanical (counting) method, and introduces a skill that may eventually become important to your professional career. Advanced techniques includes harmonics and fretless bass.

How to Set Up the Best Sounding Banjo

General Reference

The Art of Tap Tuning

Handbook of Materials for String Musical Instruments

Are you ready to design the ax of your dreams? Unlike other DIY guitar making sources (which deal with woodworking, mostly) this book focuses on how to achieve astonishing looks, excellent playability and a killer sound. Written collaboratively with top luthiers from the U.S. and Europe, this inspiring book covers in depth each aspect of electric guitar design, plus topics not found on other sources, like: - How to design a classic, how to design a radical - Thousand-year wisdom applied on Stratocasters and Les Pauls - Secrets of sustain - How to create a well balancing guitar - Ergonomics - How to choose, match and place pickups - Control design - The 4 laws of wood selection And much more. These 220 pages will have you making sketches from the first read!

Randy Wood

This book gives the builder of guitar family instruments much greater understanding and control over the instrument building process. Predictive models and spreadsheets for many of the building steps allow the user to make intelligent choices for instrument materials and dimensions without sacrificing esthetics.

Acoustic Guitar Making

A uniquely engaging description of the mechanics of the guitar, for engineers and craftsmen alike. Clearly written in a conceptual language, it provides readers with an understanding of the dynamic behavior of the instrument, including structural and component dynamics, and various analytical models, such as discrete, finite element, and boundary element models. The text also covers manufacturing processes, including both handmade and mass produced instruments.

Classical Guitar Making

Jean Sibelius's Violin Concerto is the story of Sibelius as performer and composer, of violin performing traditions, of histories of musical transmission, and of virtuosity itself. It investigates the history and legacy of one of the most recorded concertos in the violin repertoire. Sibelius, a celebrated and influential composer of the late 19th and 20th centuries, was an accomplished violinist, whose enduring interest in the

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instrument has been paralleled by the broad success of the only concerto in his oeuvre: his violin concerto (premiered in 1904 and revised in 1905). Considering how violinists engage with the work, author Tina K. Ramnarine discusses technology's central role in the concerto's transmission from Jascha Heifetz's seminal 1935 recording to contemporary online performances, gender issues in violin solo careers, and nature-based musical aesthetics that lead to thinking about the ecology of virtuosity in an era of environmental crisis. Beginning with Sibelius's early training as a violinist and his aspirations as a performer, Ramnarine traces the dramatic historical context of the violin concerto. It was composed as Finland underwent a period of heightened self-determination, nationalism, and protest against Russian imperial policies, and it heralded intense political dynamics relating to Europe's East-West border that have extended to the present. This story of the violin concerto points to the notion of Sibelius - and the virtuoso more generally - as a political figure.

Making Master Guitars

This book addresses core questions about the role of materials in general and of wood in particular in the construction of string instruments used in the modern symphony orchestra – violins, violas, cellos and basses. Further attention is given to materials for classical guitars, harps, harpsichords and pianos. While some of the approaches discussed are traditional, most of them depend upon new scientific approaches to the study of the structure of materials,

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such as for example wood cell structure, which is visible only using modern high resolution microscopic techniques. Many examples of modern and classical instruments are examined, together with the relevance of classical techniques for the treatment of wood. Composite materials, especially designed for soundboards could be a good substitute for some traditional wood species. The body and soundboard of the instrument are of major importance for their acoustical properties, but the study also examines traditional and new wood species used for items such as bows, the instrument neck, string pegs, etc. Wood species' properties for musical instruments and growth origins of woods used by great makers such as Antonio Stradivari are examined and compared with more recently grown woods available to current makers. The role of varnish in the appearance and acoustics of the final instrument is also discussed, since it has often been proposed as a 'secret ingredient' used by great makers. Aspects related to strings are commented. As well as discussing these subjects, with many illustrations from classical and contemporary instruments, the book gives attention to conservation and restoration of old instruments and the physical results of these techniques. There is also discussion of the current value of old instruments both for modern performances and as works of art having great monetary value. The book will be of interest and value to researchers, advanced students, music historians, and contemporary string instrument makers. Musicians in general, particularly those playing string instruments, will also find its revelations fascinating. It will also attract the attention of those using wood for a variety of other

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purposes, for its use in musical instruments uncovers many of its fundamental features. Professor Neville H. Fletcher Australian National University, Canberra

All Things Strings

Making Master Guitars is a craftsman's handbook about the exciting and challenging pursuit of making classical guitars, a craft that the author reveals to be surprisingly accessible by following his instructions. The book is unique in that it includes nine separate detailed plans of instruments constructed by internationally famous guitar-makers. The author has had the rare opportunity of examining these instruments in detail, and has made many replicas of each one. Part one: The Master Makers and their Guitars is devoted to separate chapters on each famous maker, including Antonio de Torres, Hermann Hauser, Santos Hernández y Aguado, Ignacio Fleta, Robert Bouchet, Daniel Friederich and José Romanillos. The reader will find historical information about the life of and influences on each makers, as well as detailed sets of working drawings for their guitars. Also included are rare photographs of the guitars. Part two: Workshop, Tools and Materials provides essential information about the tools, working environment and material needed by the guitar-maker. Part three: Guitar Construction - The Spanish Method comprises a step-by-step method of guitar construction, illustrated by numerous photographs and drawings. The method of making a guitar is presented with great clarity. So that even the newcomer to this fascinating craft will be able to

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produce a superb instrument. This book will be essential for the guitar-maker and the historian, providing as it does a unique record of the different methods of guitar design and strutting systems that have evolved since Antonio de Torres first defined the essential characteristics of the modern classical guitar in the 1850s.

How to Build Electric Guitars

Steel-String Guitar Construction

(Book). This book explains the secret ingredients needed to obtain the very best tonal qualities when building acoustic string instruments. It includes an exploration of the tools and equipment needed, the methods to excite tones in the instrument, how to make the necessary changes, and how to achieve consistency and repeatability. The text focuses on tap tuning as it relates to mandolins, guitars, banjos, violins, ukuleles, dulcimers, pianos, and more. The DVD includes demonstrations of the acoustic phenomena described in the text.

Electric Guitar and Bass Design

A collection of articles on woods for stringed instrument construction, and on the construction and repair of steel string guitars. Wood section includes intro to taxonomy, top 40 lutherie woods, resawing, and a bibliography of wood ID books. Steel string guitar section articles on D'Aquisto's archtop guitar

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design, Gallagher, Turner, and Klein guitars, inlay, side bending, binding, linings, bridge gluing, bracing, and more. Appendices include philosophy, reviews of 80 lutherie books, sources, lutherie schools and more.

Guitar Repair

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.

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