

How to care for your guitar finish

Caring for your guitar finish will keep your guitar looking and playing its best. Planet Waves has designed products that makes it easy to keep your guitars looking their best.

3-Step Polish & Cleaning System

Step 1: Restore

Restore cuts through the toughest grime while also polishing out swirl marks and minor scratches. Safe on all common finishes. Restore reanimates your guitar's finish like never before.



Step 2: Protect

Protect is a natural sealer combining premium-quality #1 yellow Brazilian carnauba wax and advanced chemistry to produce a distinct radiance with quick and easy application.



Step 3: Shine

Shine keeps your guitar looking like new every day. One spray erases dust, fingerprints and brings out your guitar's beauty. Just spray on and wipe to have your guitar looking its best.

Micro-fiber Polish Cloth

Not all cloths are created equal. Basic cotton cloths work great but if you want to take it to the next level, Planet Waves Micro-fiber cloths have fibers which are split to create microscopic "hooks" that scrape up and hold dirt and dust.



When do I take care of my fingerboard?

Every time you change your strings, you should clean and condition your fretboard. This will remove dirt, sweat, and grime that build up on the neck and around the frets. Planet Waves Hydrate is specially formulated to clean, nourish and protect your fretboard.



Hydrate

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Electric Guitar Gear Guide



What strings are best for me?

Strings come in a variety of materials, constructions and gauges. Depending on your instrument and music style there is a set that is just right for you. Here are some guidelines.



Nickel Plated Steel

Nickel Round Wound strings are the "players choice"™ worldwide and they're known for distinctive bright tone and excellent intonation. Ideal for all styles of music.



Pure Nickel

Classic electric guitar string tone dates back to the 50's, when pure nickel was the primary alloy used to make strings. D'Addario's Pure Nickel strings offer a warmer, vintage tone that many enthusiasts prefer.



Chromes

D'Addario Chromes flat wound strings are famous for the smooth feel of flat ribbon windings and their warm tone. Each string is wound and polished on the same machine, with string tension remaining constant between processes. Chromes are the choice of jazz and fusion players.

What gauge should I use?

Heavy gauge strings offer larger tone and volume but are harder to play. Conversely, lighter strings will have slightly less volume and depth but are easier to play. Generally, start lighter (9-42 or 10-46) and work your way up, if needed.

Changing Tips:

Change one string at a time. This allows you to have a pitch reference from the other strings and maintains the playing tension on your instrument. Start with your wound low E and work your way up.

When do I change my strings?

Change your strings at the first signs of corrosion or if you notice a loss of brightness. Tuning instability is another signal that it may be time for a string change. If you break a string it is best to change the whole set.



Pro-winder



Headstand

How do I tune my guitar?

The easiest and most reliable way to tune your guitar is with the aid of an electronic tuner. There are a wide variety of electronic tuners in a price range just right for you.



Traditional Chromatic Tuning

Planet Waves Full Function Tuner

The ultimate all-in-one practice tool offering two modes of chromatic tuning along with a comprehensive metronome. Everything you need to keep you in-tune and on-time.



Practice & Tuning

Planet Waves Chordmaster/Tuner/Metronome

The CTM is the most comprehensive electronic chord reference available to date. With over 7,400 chords and fingering diagrams, any chord you want is literally at your finger tips. Combined with a precision tuner and metronome, the CTM is a great practice tool.



Stage Tuning

The Planet Waves Chromatic Pedal Tuner is a sweep and strobe tuner with patent-pending intuitive rotary user interface housed in a rugged, road-worthy metal enclosure. An oversized note name indicator and super-bright tuning LEDs combine to make on-stage tuning easy in all lighting conditions. Professional features like true bypass for preserved tone and dual 9V AC jacks make this unit at home in any pedal board configuration.



Strobe Tuning

Planet Waves Strobe-on-String Tuner

A revolutionary tuner that pulses two out-of-phase LED light beams directly onto the vibrating string to tune. This visual tuning system enables precision tuning in silent or noisy environments.



The truth about cables?

Planet Waves Cables provide ultra low capacitance for pure signal transparency, robust construction for added durability, and are guaranteed for life.

Which cable is right for me?

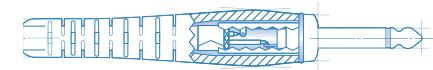
Coaxial

Planet Waves Classic Series Cables features a coaxial design and robust construction for low capacitance, accurate signal transmission and long life. Its molded connectors provide extra protection over ordinary plugs.



Twisted Pair

Planet Waves Custom Series Cable features twisted pair construction as preferred by many professionals for its double shielding (braided copper and spiral foil). It eliminates noise, provides 100% shielding coverage, handling and extends cable life, all while providing accurate signal transmission and pure signal transparency.



Circuit Breaker

Planet Waves Circuit Breaker is a solderless, road-serviceable design offering pure signal transparency and an innovative "mute" feature. Press the circuit breaker switch once to mute the cable. Insert the cable silently into your guitar or other instrument with no pops or noise! Press the circuit breaker switch a second time to un-mute the cable and you're ready to go!

