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ELECTRIC GUITAR & BASS GUIDE

STRINGING

3. Ensure the string winds tightly to the post and that the string is wrapped 2/3 times around the peg. Doing this will help the tuning stability.

4. Don't cut the excess string until you have tightened and tuned the guitar.

TUNING

Following are the standard tunings for guitars and basses:

6 string guitar: E - A - D - G - B - E
7 string guitar: B - E - A - D - G - B - E
4 string bass: E - A - D - G
5 string bass: B - E - A - D - G
6 string bass: B - E - A - D - G - C

A perfect aid when tuning your guitar is an electric guitar tuner (Ashton GT100).

There are also many more alternate tunings which are fun to experiment with.

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INTRODUCTION

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Congratulations and thanks for purchasing an Ashton electric guitar or bass. We are confident that you will have many years of use & enjoyment from your new instrument.

Following in this quick guide, is some helpful information on guitar care including; cleaning, stringing, and tuning. This information will help you maximize the life of your instrument and your enjoyment of it.

Happy Playing!

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CLEANING

Frequent cleaning of your instrument is one of the most basic and important forms of care. Regular cleaning of your instrument will help preserve its finish and extend string life.

After you finish playing your instrument wipe it down with a clean soft cloth paying close attention to any perspiration that may be on it.

Gloss finishes: should occasionally be polished with polishes made especially for musical instruments (see your local music retailer for advice) and a soft clean cloth.

Oil Finishes: should be wiped down immediately after each use. If the finish starts to discolour, consult an instrument repairer about restoring it to its original condition.

Never use abrasive rags (polyester or similar) because these can permanently damage the finish of your instrument.

STRINGING

Over time strings wear out. If the strings on your guitar are rusty, discoloured, sound dull or buzz - it is time to change your strings.

Replacing the strings on your guitar with the same gauge is the simplest way to keep your guitar playing correctly. If you want to change to a different gauge of string you should discuss possible adjustments that may need to be made to your guitar with your local music store.

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The first thing to do when changing your strings is to remove the old strings completely and give the neck and finger board a good clean with some guitar polish and a clean, soft rag.

The best method for stringing is as follows.

1. Attach the string to the bridge.

Tremolo Bridges: are strung through the body and the tremolo (see diagram).



Non tremolo guitars: are strung from the top of the guitar. The strings pass first through the tail piece and then over the trapeze bridge (see diagram).



2. Attach the string to machine heads.

When attaching strings to machine heads, they should always be wound from the inside and around the peg.

3 a side: (see diagram).



6 a side: (see diagram)



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