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The guitars and basses offered in this catalog represent the next step in the development of the Ibanez line. Building on the foundation of the past year, Ibanez has taken the challenge of refining existing models while introducing new instruments that meet the ever-changing needs of today's players.

Our commitment to produce only the highest grade guitars has led to the development of a multi-level quality control system. One that virtually assures each and every Ibanez will perform at a level once expected of only the finest hand-crafted instruments.

This past year has been one of tremendous growth for lbanez. Yet, in the face of much-increased demand, we remain dedicated to the concept of a small, research-intensive core group of people whose only goal is the advancement of the art of guitar making.

Ibanez

The introduction of the JEM series guiter marked the appearance of a new breed of instrument aimed at a new breed of player. Designed by Steve Vai in close cooperation with ibanez, IEM guiters are painstakingly assembled from the finest available materials. Conspicuous attention to detail is evident from the trademark "Monkey Grip" handle to the distinctive "Disappearing Pyramid" and "Tree of Life" inlays.

This year. Steve and Ibanez have collaborated to add several new models, making the JEM lineup the most comprehensive offering of truly superb Rock guiters available anywhere.







Fast becoming the standard by which all other guitars in their class are judged, the RGSSO and 560 get improved humbuckings for better crunch and definition. Quality basswood bodies and super-quick 24 fret necks respond to your every power chord and searing single noter un. The IBANEZ EDGE tremolo system is set into a recessed cavity to allow the arm to be pulled up as well as pushed down

When your music requires an instrument that won't let you down, reach for the Ibanez RG550 and 560 series guitars.



RG4

For the guitarist who demands the finest in quality and workmanship at a price the competition can't match, Ibanez introduces the RG750 and 760.

Feautring American-made IBZ/USA pickups and bound necks with distinctive "Shark's Tooth" inlays, the 750 and 760 are true professional grade instruments. Combine that with the acclaimed IBANEZ EDGE tremolo and a lightning fast 24 fret neck and you have a guitar that can take you where you want to go straight to the top.







A true player's instrument must have just the right balance of tone, playability and feel. These elements combine to make the \$405-type one of the finest expressions of the guitar-markes' art. \$eldom has a new model established itself so quickly among the greatest guitarists of the time.

The unique profile of the ultra-thin mahogany body immediately sets the 5405-type apart from its competitors. Newly designed IBZ/USA pickups give it a voice with commanding power and punch.





Branching out from the \$458-ype's initial principle, based studied the different styles of playing and the varied requirements imposed upon the instrument by these diverse techniques. The \$468-LTD and \$456-CTS are the results of this research. The \$468-LTD is designed for the modern reason and trade floor gutarist who desires an instrument reason and trade floor gutarist who desires and instrument meet simplifies high speed fingering while the HS-H pickup eneck simplifies high speed fingering while the HS-H pickup configuration provides the range of onces the music demands.





The 5495-CT5 evolves the 5-type concept to a new level of relinement. Created to enhance the playing experience by combining tremendous tonal depth and range with unlimited access to the upper register, this guitar is focused at the seasoned professional. For the musician looking for a top level instrument that can be appreciated for its beauth and craftsmanship as well as its tone and playability, try the new 5-type 540 guitars form libance.















Created specifically for high-powered Metal and Rock playing styles, the new Honez 549PI1-type means business. Sports car looks, extra-hot custom-wound pickups and a new wider 24 feit neck provide a sound and teel that less you know 24 feit neck provide a sound and teel that less you know recessed into the body for better playability and radical remoto up of feits. Available in either two humbucking or one single, one humbucking pickup configurations. Bhanez goldril-pre- the diluttine gular lor burning the message point-pre- the diluttine gular lor burning the message





Looking for an outstanding guitar or bass at a reasonable price can be a difficult proposition. Fancy paint jobs can't mask unplayable necks and cheap hardware. Ibanez solves the problem with the introduction of the EX series guitars and basses.

Built with selected materials, the EX series gives the player real value for the money. Solid necks, real-world-tough hardware and punchy pickups provide the player with instruments that go the distance, no matter how hard you









SIGR A

To match the dizzying technical heights reached by virtuous bassists in every side of music, the Banzer SOUNDGEAR series features refinements and details not found in any other bass guitar leney. The gracefully contioured shape brings of the base guitar leney, the gracefully contioured shape brings of the base guitar leney and the brings of the bring











ROADBASS

Lean and powerful. The ROADBASS series is built for Rock. Sharp-edged body contours and hot colors for eye-catching appeal. Super-fast necks, and pickups that cut through the crowd.

Specialized Hard Rock and Metal guitars have been available for some time. Unfortunalety, bassists had to settle for instruments designed in another time for another style of playing. Now, the bass player has an instrument uniquely suited to modern aggressive playing techniques—tbanez RoADBASS series.







GBI0 and GB30- two exquisite examples of the art of Jazz guitar. The GBI0 was conceived by George Benson to be the ultimate live performance Jazz instrument. Its small body is perfectly balanced for comfort while the thick top reject receiback and gives this guitar deep, powerful tone. The GB 30 reflects the growth of George's music with a thin profile and semi-solid design for more power and drive.



Joe Pass virtually wrote the book on modern solo Jazz guitar. A style this unique requires an instrument that responds to every nuance and shading-enter the JP20. Joe carefully considered the elements that were needed to produce a guitar that would capture the delicate shadings of a chord voicing or cut through with a single note flurry. The result is what might inside the finest solo Jazz guitar-the JP20.



ART5TAR

ARTSTAR guitars represent the supreme expression of the art of guitar building. Ibanez has held a leading position in semi and full acoustic electric guitars for over a decade through quality workmanship and innovation.

Our devotion to expanding the flexibility and playability of semi and full acoustic electric guitars can be seen in the lineup presented here. No matter what style of music you play, there is a model designed to







Ibanez Irtfield

When Banez began the development of ARTHELD, the concept was to incorporate the finest hand-picked woods-bublings, wenge, maple and mahogany— and design a series of given wenge, maple and mahogany— and design a series of given to the control of t









Every so often a new idea in electric guitar design comes along that has something really different to offer. The right balance of shape and function, of sound and feel. MAXXAS is just such an idea.

MAXXAS' unique semi-hollow construction, All Access Neck Joint and stainless steel low-profile tremolo system combine to produce an instrument of uncommon subtlety and grace. The specially designed pickups compliment the Honduras mahozany body for rich, Jull tone.

MAXXAS represents a new class of electric guitar designed for a new generation of players. The technical demands of contemporary guitar playing are enormous. Be sure the instrument you choose is up to the challenge-choose MAXXAS.







■MAGNUM LOCK PEGS ■HO-TREMOLI



■SEMI HOLLOW BODY

IBANEZ COLOR CHART

AB: ATLANTIC BLUE AM:AMBER AO AQUAMARINE AV: ANTIQUE VIOLIN BG: BUBINGA BH: BLACK HOLE BP-BLACK PEAR BS BROWN SUMBURST CS: CHERRY SUNBURST OB DARK BLUE OB DARK GRAY OV:DARK VIOLIN OY:DESERT SUN YELLOW FA:FIVE ALARM RED FB:FOUNTAIN BLUE FP:FLOWER PATTERN GA:GREEN APPLE HP:HEATHER PEARL JR:JEWEL BLUE JR JEWEL RED LA:LIGHT AMBER LR LIPSTICK RED
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MG MAGENTA
MO MIDNIGHT DUVE
MS MARINE SUNBURST
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lbanez continues to grow as we redefine our role as a make of electric galars and basses in an ever-changing musical environment. Our continued dedication to respond to the meeds of players in all forms of music will only get stronger in the years to come. We thank everyone for their support of our galars and basses. It serves to strengthen our player and bases the best or strengthen out of an abund the best instruments we are capable of, and, we can build the best instruments we are capable of, and doing so, make our contribution to the art and science of the electric galars.



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