

The Jackson Warrior Electric Guitar

By 1989 the Jackson Guitar company was the foremost producer of the world's most wanted guitars. Drastic and unparalleled, the Jackson superstrats were mimicked by every guitar manufacturer, including B.C. Rich, Kramer Gibson, Fender and Ibanez.

The original founder of the Jackson company - Grover Jackson - wasn't the designer of the Warrior guitar, having left his company in 1989. Instead it was an R&D designer named Mikey Wright who produced the new guitar. It was a design that was a drastic change from Jackson's superstar design. This was a risk when you consider that the superstar had taken the world by storm during the 1980s and put the company into the guitar hall of fame.

The Jackson Warrior was released in 1990 and it was an aggressive and obnoxious design. Vastly different to the well known Dinky and Soloist, it had 5 points - 4 on the body and 1 on the headstock - giving it a very Warrior look and hence its name.

There were two types of Warrior produced. Both the Warrior and Warrior Pro were the same except that the Pro was made in Japan and the plain Warrior was produced in America.

The Pro model came in the following colors: Candy Blue , Snow White Pearl, Ferrari Red, Midnight Black and Pearl Yellow. The USA models offered a bigger options base: Pearl White, Fire Crackle, Snow White, Midnight Black, Candy Red, Metallic Black, Eerie Dess Swirl, Pearl Yellow, Tie Die, Ferrari Red and Metallic Electric Blue.

Jackson re-released the Warrior model in 2001 - exactly ten years after the last Warrior left the Jackson factory. You can pick up on of these Warrior for \$1,200 retail.

American Warriors are accessible with Duncan pickups and Floyd Rose tremolos. They however lack the original active circuitry, slanted pickup layout, and slanted fingerboard edge. The overseas models of today are bolt on designs with a variety of pickup options including Duncan Design, EMG HZ with active circuits, and Jackson makes. Prices for these Warriors range from \$400 to \$550.

Despite the minor changes to the original design, these new Warriors are on par with the original models and the quality of the manufacturing is excellent.

About the Author

You can buy [Jackson Guitars online](#) at excellent prices - whether it is brand new, used, hard to find and vintage. Vincent Roarden has a large range of Jackson Guitars for sale online such as [Warrior Jackson Guitars](#), Kelly and Soloist.

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