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Taylor T5z Pro - Pacific Blue User Manual

Model: DT52024100900293067

Introduction

Welcome to the user manual for your new Taylor T5z Pro acoustic-electric guitar. This instrument is designed to bridge the gap between traditional acoustic and electric guitars, offering a versatile range of sounds. With its thinned body, 12-inch radius ebony fingerboard, and jumbo frets, the T5z Pro provides a comfortable playing experience for electric guitarists while retaining the rich tones Taylor is known for. This manual will guide you through the setup, operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your guitar to ensure you get the most out of its unique capabilities.

Product Overview



This image displays the full view of the Taylor T5z Pro acoustic-electric guitar. It features a vibrant Pacific Blue finish on a flamed maple top, a black pickguard, and two f-holes. The guitar has a maple neck with a dark fretboard, adorned with unique fret markers, and a matching dark headstock with chrome tuning machines. Three control knobs are visible on the upper bout.

The Taylor T5z Pro is a 6-string acoustic-electric guitar featuring a Maple top and Sapele body. It is equipped with two humbucking pickups and an Acoustic Body Sensor System, allowing for a wide array of tonal possibilities from acoustic warmth to electric bite. The Pacific Blue finish provides a striking visual appeal.

Setup

1. Unpacking and Initial Inspection

Carefully remove the guitar from its packaging. Inspect the instrument for any signs of damage that may have occurred

during shipping. Ensure all accessories, if any, are present. Keep the original packaging for future transport or storage.

2. Tuning the Guitar

Before playing, tune your guitar using a reliable electronic tuner. The T5z Pro uses standard guitar tuning (E-A-D-G-B-e, low to high). Gently stretch new strings after initial tuning to help them settle and hold pitch better.

3. Connecting to an Amplifier

The T5z Pro is an acoustic-electric guitar, meaning it can be amplified. Locate the output jack, typically on the lower bout or endpin. Connect a standard 1/4-inch instrument cable from the guitar to your amplifier or PA system. Adjust the volume on both the guitar and amplifier to a comfortable level.

Operating

1. Pickup System and Controls

The T5z Pro features a versatile pickup system combining two humbucking pickups and an Acoustic Body Sensor. This allows for a broad spectrum of tones, from warm acoustic sounds to powerful electric guitar tones.

- **Volume Knob:** Controls the overall output level of the guitar.
- **Tone Knob:** Adjusts the treble and bass frequencies. Turning it clockwise increases treble, counter-clockwise increases bass.
- **5-Way Switch:** This switch allows you to select different pickup configurations for various tonal characteristics. Refer to the specific wiring diagram for your model for detailed positions, but generally, it will offer combinations of the neck humbucker, bridge humbucker, and the acoustic body sensor.

2. Playing Techniques

The T5z Pro's 12-inch fretboard radius and jumbo frets are designed to facilitate easier string bending and a comfortable feel, especially for players accustomed to solidbody electric guitars. Experiment with different pick attack and fingerpicking styles to explore the full range of sounds available from its unique pickup system.

Maintenance

1. Cleaning

Regularly wipe down your guitar with a soft, lint-free cloth after each use to remove sweat, oils, and dust. For a deeper clean, use guitar-specific cleaning and polishing products. Avoid abrasive cleaners or household chemicals.

2. String Replacement

Strings should be replaced regularly, depending on playing frequency and string type. Old strings can sound dull and affect intonation. When replacing strings, do so one at a time to maintain neck tension. Use strings of the same gauge and type recommended by Taylor for optimal performance.

3. Humidity Control

Wood instruments are sensitive to changes in humidity and temperature. Store your guitar in its case when not in use, ideally with a humidifier/dehumidifier to maintain relative humidity between 45-55%. Avoid exposing the guitar to extreme temperatures or sudden changes.

4. Storage

When storing the guitar for extended periods, loosen the strings slightly to reduce tension on the neck. Always store it in a

proper guitar case to protect it from physical damage and environmental fluctuations.

Troubleshooting

- **No Sound When Plugged In:**
  - Check that the instrument cable is securely plugged into both the guitar and the amplifier.
  - Ensure the amplifier is turned on and its volume is up.
  - Verify the guitar's volume knob is turned up.
  - Test with a different cable or amplifier to rule out equipment issues.
- **Buzzing or Fret Noise:**
  - Check your playing technique; ensure proper finger placement and pressure.
  - Old or worn strings can cause buzzing; consider replacing them.
  - Extreme humidity changes can affect neck relief; consult a qualified guitar technician for truss rod adjustments if necessary.
- **Poor Intonation:**
  - Ensure the guitar is properly tuned.
  - Old strings can lead to intonation issues; replace them.
  - For persistent intonation problems, a professional setup by a guitar technician may be required.

Specifications

Feature	Detail
Model Number	DT52024100900293067
Number of Strings	6
Body Material	Sapele
Top Material	Maple
Neck Material	Maple
Fretboard Material	Maple
Color	Pacific Blue
Pickup Configuration	H (Humbucker) + Acoustic Body Sensor
Hand Orientation	Right
Item Weight	24 pounds
Product Dimensions	46 x 20 x 6 inches
Date First Available	November 15, 2011

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