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Model: JS Series JS22

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the setup, operation, and maintenance of your Jackson JS Series Dinky Arch Top JS22 DKA electric guitar. This solidbody electric guitar is designed for performance, featuring an arched basswood body, a maple speed neck, and an amaranth fingerboard. It is equipped with two high-output ceramic humbucking pickups and a tremolo bridge system.

Please read this manual thoroughly to ensure proper use and to maximize the lifespan of your instrument.

SETUP

1. Initial Inspection

Upon unboxing, carefully inspect the guitar for any visible damage. Ensure all components, such as the tremolo arm and adjustment wrenches, are present. Remove any protective films or packaging materials.





Figure 1: Front view of the Jackson JS Series Dinky Arch Top JS22 DKA electric guitar. Shows the headstock, neck, fretboard with sharkfin inlays, pickups, and tremolo bridge.

2. Tuning

The guitar may require tuning after shipping. Use an electronic tuner to tune the strings to standard EADGB_e (low to

high). The tuning machines are located on the headstock.

- **E** (6th string, thickest)
- **A** (5th string)
- **D** (4th string)
- **G** (3rd string)
- **B** (2nd string)
- **e** (1st string, thinnest)

3. Connecting to an Amplifier

Connect one end of a standard 1/4-inch instrument cable to the output jack on the lower bout of the guitar body. Connect the other end to the input jack of your guitar amplifier. Ensure your amplifier is powered on and its volume is set to a low level before playing.

OPERATING

1. Controls Overview

The JS22 DKA features the following controls:

- **Volume Knob:** Controls the overall output volume of the guitar. Turn clockwise to increase volume, counter-clockwise to decrease.
- **Tone Knob:** Adjusts the treble response. Turn clockwise for brighter tones, counter-clockwise for warmer, darker tones.
- **3-Way Blade Pickup Selector Switch:** Selects which pickup(s) are active.
 - **Position 1 (Bridge):** Activates the bridge humbucking pickup for a brighter, more aggressive tone.
 - **Position 2 (Middle):** Activates both bridge and neck humbucking pickups for a balanced tone.
 - **Position 3 (Neck):** Activates the neck humbucking pickup for a warmer, smoother tone.



Figure 2: Close-up view of the guitar body, highlighting the bridge, humbucking pickups, volume and tone knobs, and the 3-way pickup selector switch.

2. Tremolo System

The guitar is equipped with a tremolo bridge system. The tremolo arm can be inserted into the bridge to allow for pitch modulation effects. Use the tremolo arm gently to avoid excessive string tension changes that can affect tuning stability.

MAINTENANCE

1. Cleaning

- **Body and Neck:** Wipe down the body and back of the neck with a soft, lint-free cloth after each use to remove sweat and fingerprints. For satin finishes, use a damp cloth and avoid abrasive cleaners.
- **Fretboard:** Periodically clean the fretboard to remove grime buildup. Use a specialized fretboard cleaner and conditioner for amaranth wood.
- **Hardware:** Wipe metal hardware (bridge, tuners, pickups) with a dry cloth. Avoid using liquid cleaners directly on electronic components.

2. String Replacement

Strings should be replaced regularly, depending on playing frequency and string type. Old strings can lose their tone and intonation. When replacing strings, change them one at a time to maintain neck tension. The recommended string gauge is Nickel Plated Steel (.009-.042 Gauges).

3. Storage

Store the guitar in a stable environment, away from extreme temperature changes and humidity fluctuations. A guitar case or gig bag is recommended for protection.





Figure 3: Back view of the guitar, showing the maple neck, bolt-on neck joint, and the tremolo spring cavity cover.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Common Issues and Solutions

Issue	Possible Cause	Solution
No Sound	Loose cable, amplifier off, guitar volume down, faulty cable/amp.	Check cable connections, ensure amplifier is on and volume up, check guitar volume knob, test with different cable/amp if possible.
Buzzing/Fretting Out	Incorrect string action, worn frets, improper technique.	Ensure proper finger placement. If persistent, a professional setup may be required to adjust string action or neck relief.

Issue	Possible Cause	Solution
Tuning Instability	New strings stretching, improper string winding, worn tuning machines, tremolo use.	Stretch new strings thoroughly. Ensure strings are properly wound on tuning posts. For persistent issues, consult a guitar technician.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Name	JS Series Dinky Arch Top JS22 DKA
Model Number	2910224568
Body Material	Basswood (Arched Top)
Neck Material	Maple
Fretboard Material	Amaranth Wood (Bound)
Pickup Configuration	HH (2 Humbucking Pickups)
Bridge System	Tremolo
String Material	Nickel Plated Steel (.009-.042 Gauges)
Hand Orientation	Right
Color	Satin Black
Item Weight	8.8 pounds
Product Dimensions	12.99 x 2.4 x 39.29 inches

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For detailed warranty information, product registration, and technical support, please visit the official Jackson Guitars website or contact their customer service department directly. It is recommended to retain your original purchase receipt as proof of purchase for any warranty claims.

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