Basic Detail Report



Guitar

Date

1966

Primary Maker

C. F. Martin & Co.

Description

The 00-18 model was first introduced in in 1898. This version of the 00-18 has a belly bridge, which came into use in the early 1930's; and a rosewood fingerboard which

first appeared in 1935 and became the standard in 1940. Stringing: six steel strings Soundboard: twopiece Sitka spruce, medium grain broadening to wide toward the flanks Back: two-piece book-matched Honduran mahogany; back stripe comprised of a single strip of black-dyed hardwood purfling. Ribs: twopiece Honduran mahogany divided by imitation tortoise-shell celluloid end graft strip (slightly wider toward top than bottom) Head: mahogany veneered with rosewood on front face Neck: mahogany Heel cap: rosewood Binding: imitation tortoise-shell celluloid with 4-ply ivory, black, ivory, black celluloid purfling trim Fingerboard: rosewood; 20 nickel-silver frets; single mother of pearl dots behind 5th, 7th, 9th, and 15th frets; two mother of pearl dots behind the 12th fret; ivory celluloid side dots behind 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 12th, 15th, and 17th frets Nut: White Plexiglass [see page 40 of Martin Guitars, A Technical Reference, Johnston, Boak and Longworth] Bridge: Brazilian rosewood with curved lower edge; angled, cream Micarta saddle [not original]; black plastic bridge pins Pegs: six chrome-plated steel worm-gear machine tuners by Grover with "butterbean" head surfaces and decoratively cut plate outlines Endpin: black plastic Rosette: wide band of 8-ply ivory and black celluloid strips with a different tan wood or plastic strip in the center, surrounded on each side with an individual strip of black celluloid, with natural wood in between Pick guard: imitation tortoise-shell celluloid Varnish: clear with minor craquelure Linings: kerfed mahogany Neck block: mahogany; chamfered corners End block: mahogany; chamfered corners; mahogany graft at center, perpendicular to top and back Top braces: spruce X-brace [no scalloping], the joint of main cross brace reinforced with off-white canvas; maple bridge plate Back braces: spruce back graft; four spruce back braces, the two braces in the lower bouts with rounded edges, and wider and lower in height than the two braces in the upper bouts

Dimensions

Total guitar length: 990 mm (39") Back length: 480 mm (18-7/8") Upper bout width: 282 mm (11-1/16") Waist width: 231 mm (9-1/16") Lower bout width: 368 mm (14-1/2") Rib height (including edging) at heel: 83 mm (3-1/4") Rib height, at waist: 95 mm (3-11/16") Rib height, at end block: 104 mm (4-1/16") Head length: 160 mm (6-9/32") Head width, top: 71 mm (2-3/4") Head width, bottom: 58.5 mm (2-5/16") Neck

length (nut to ribs): 356 mm (14–1/16") Neck width, nut: 43 mm (1-11/16") Neck width, heel: 55 mm (2-3 /16") Soundhole diameter: 96 mm (3-3/4"") Vibrating string length (nut to bridge edge): high E: 632 mm (24-17/8"); low E: 638 mm (25-9/16")