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### WOODSMAN - Jumbo - Front Panel



#### INPUTS

ACTIVE/PIEZO SWITCH

PHANTOM POWER

VOLUME

flashing RED.

PHASE

SHAPE IN / OUT

and impedance would be required.

any other type of input to channel 1.

The Jumbo is a twin channel unit. Channel 1 is for microphone on either jack or XLR inputs, while Channel 2 works for acoustic instrument inputs. The two channels allow both mic and pick-up inputs to be mixed together to give the best possible sound for the acoustic guitar. Alternatively one channel can be used for the guitar and the other for a vocal mic to form a mini PA system.

The Active / Piezo switch allows channel 2 input to be

set for active guitars (those with a built-in preamp) or

passive / piezo instruments where a higher input level

This can be switched in to apply a Phantom Power

voltage to channel 1 input. This is only for use with

suitable capacitor microphones. Do not switch this in for

settings on both the amplifier and the instrument you

to optimise signal to noise ratio. The optimum level is

when the input level LED is indicating GREEN most

of the time for normal playing, with occasional peaks

This switch introduces a natural pre-shape to the sound of channel 1 adding a bass boost, a mid cut and a treble

of playing. These controls can boost or cut the amount

This switch reverses the Phase of the signal through the amplifier and is used to help eliminate standing wave

feedback. As such it is very dependent upon the posi-

tion of the player relative to the amplifier. If feedback is

occurring try altering the setting of this switch to cancel

out the standing wave between you and the amplifier.

of Treble and Bass of the unit. In their centre position

(12 o'clock) they have no effect i.e. the EQ is flat.

should then set the VOLUME to the most efficient level

The Jumbo has a single Notch filter applied to channel 2. This can be switched in and adjusted to eliminate 'body resonance' feedback of the instrument at higher playing levels. Adjust the Notch Frequency until the body resonance reduces - this will be the optimum position for the instrument. This Notch has a fixed 'Q' that has been optimised for acoustic guitar.

#### REVERB

Reverb can be added to the sound of the acoustic instrument to make it sound more vibrant and alive. It simulates the sound of the instrument being played in various acoustic environments. The level of reverb to direct sound can be adjusted using the Level control. Switches have been provided to select between Long and Short decay characteristics of both Hall and Plate reverbs. The reverb is situated after the Effects Return and as such can be added to other effects connected via these sockets. When switched in, reverb is added to both channel 1 and 2.

#### AUX Once you have set your instrument to the required Eq.

The LINE IN jack socket (located at the rear) can be used for any line level signal such as that from another pre-amplifier, CD, MP3 etc. There is a AUX LEVEL pot control on the front panel of the amp to set the output level of the line input.

#### WOODSMAN - Jumbo - Rear Panels

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#### boost that suits both strumming and finger picking styles EFFECTS SEND / RETURN

The EFFECTS SEND/RETURN facility is a serial effects loop and is situated after the EQ controls and SHAPE switch but before the internal reverb. In this way it is possible to add the internal reverb to the sound returned from any external effects being used.

#### BALANCED D.I. XLR

The D.I. XLR socket is a balanced output for Direct Injection or connection to a low impedance microphone input on a mixing console. This can be used either for recording purposes or for connection to a PA system for live performance.



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#### INPUTS

The Classic is a twin channel unit. Channel 1 is for microphone on either jack or XLR inputs, while Channel 2 works for acoustic instrument inputs. The two channels allow both mic and pick-up inputs to be mixed together to give the best possible sound for the acoustic guitar. Alternatively one channel can be used for the guitar and the other for a vocal mic to form a mini PA system.

#### **ACTIVE & PASSIVE INPUTS**

The Active input allows channel 2 input to be set for active guitars (those with a built-in preamp). A Passive input provides passive / piezo instruments where a higher input level and impedance would be required.

#### VOLUME

Once you have set your instrument to the required Eq settings on both the amplifier and the instrument you should then set the VOLUME to the most efficient level to optimise signal to noise ratio.

#### NOTCH FREQUENCY

The Classic has a single Notch filter applied to channel 2. This can be switched in and adjusted to eliminate 'body resonance' feedback of the instrument at higher playing levels. Adjust the Notch Frequency until the body resonance reduces - this will be the optimum position for the instrument. This Notch has a fixed 'Q' that has been optimised for acoustic guitar.

Reverb can be added to the sound of the acoustic instrument to make it sound more vibrant and alive. It

simulates the sound of the instrument being played in various acoustic environments. The level of reverb to direct sound can be adjusted using the Level control.

#### AUX

REVERB

The LINE IN jack socket (located on the front) can be used for any line level signal such as that from another pre-amplifier, CD, MP3 etc. There is a AUX LEVEL pot control on the front panel of the amp to set the output level of the line input.

#### BALANCED D.I. XLR

The D.I. XLR socket is a balanced output for Direct Injection or connection to a low impedance microphone input on a mixing console. This can be used either for recording purposes or for connection to a PA system for live performance.

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#### PHASE

This switch reverses the Phase of the signal through the amplifier and is used to help eliminate standing wave feedback.As such it is very dependent upon the position of the player relative to the amplifier. If feedback is occurring try altering the setting of this switch to cancel.

# **WOODSMAN - Parlour - Front Panel**



#### INPUTS

The Parlour is a twin channel unit. Channel 1 is for microphone on an XLR input, while Channel 2 works for acoustic instrument Jack inputs. The two channels allow both mic and pick-up inputs to be mixed together to give the best possible sound for the acoustic guitar. Alternatively one channel can be used for the guitar and the other for a vocal mic to form a mini PA system.

#### WOODSMAN - Parlour - Rear Panel



#### EQ

These controls can boost or cut the amount of Treble Middle and Bass of the unit. In their centre position (12 o'clock) they have no effect i.e. the EQ is flat.

#### VOLUME

Once you have set your instrument to the required Eq settings on both the amplifier and the instrument you should then set the VOLUME to the most efficient level to optimise signal to noise ratio.

#### REVERB

Reverb can be added to the sound of the acoustic instrument to make it sound more vibrant and alive. It simulates the sound of the instrument being played in various acoustic environments. The level of reverb to direct sound can be adjusted using the Level control.

#### AUX

The LINE IN jack socket (located on the top) can be used for any line level signal such as that from another pre-amplifier, CD, MP3 etc.



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# SPECIFICATIONS

#### INPUTS

| Active Input   | Impedance 10K Ohms      | Input range 150mV to 10V p-p |
|----------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Passive Input  | Impedance 3.9M Ohms     | Input range 300mV to 20V p-p |
| XLR & Jack     | Impedance 600 Ohms bal. | Level -20dB to 0dB           |
| Effects Return | Impedance 47K Ohms      | Input level 0dBu nominal     |
|                |                         |                              |

OUTPUTS Effects Send

D.I. Output

Level 0dBu nominal Impedance 22K Ohms 600 Ohms balanced Level -20dBu nominal

EQUALISATION Shape (Push Fla

| LOCALIOATION       |   |
|--------------------|---|
| Shape (Push Flat)  | +8dB @ 50Hz & 4kHz, -8dB @ 400Hz, filter slope - 6dB/octave |
| Bass               | +/-15dB @ 100Hz   |
| Treble             | +/-15dB @ 10kHz shelving                                    |
|                    |   |
| Frequency Response | -3dB at 28Hz and 28KHz                                      |

Notch Frequency 70 to 250Hz 'Q' = 5

Output Power

Jumbo - 65w - Classic - 40w - Parlour - 25w



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