

Peter Newport and Jayson Bowerman enjoy Oregon's Celestial falls during a "wood hunting" trip. Photo by Kim Breedlove.

### Living the Breedlove Extraordinary Experience.

We dare you to join us.



My approach to designing new or improving existing instruments for Breedlove Guitar Company must include a marriage between form and function. To create the vision, I begin with the end in mind and work towards the beginning through a selection process of parts, proper geometry and the Breedlove sense of aesthetic. The final vision is realized only when the "right sound" is achieved.

Kim Breedlove
Master Luthier, Artist



Kim has taught and trained our eyes, ears, hands and hearts, challenging and inspiring us to do the best work of our lives. The values by which he lives his own life also guide us every day. Begin with the end in mind. Work Smart. Make sure its right before you pass it on. When faced with the inevitable tough quality decisions I can always hear his voice in my head asking, "would I want that on my guitar"? Its an incredible honor and worthwhile challenge for all of us here to build instruments living up to their Breedlove heritage.

Jayson Bowerman Luthier, Research & Development



I worked with Kim for two years before I began to understand him. Once I figured out the right questions to ask he opened *my ears* to the worlds of stringed instrument building and fine woodworking, and *my eyes* to fine art and design. These same philosophies that Kim teaches have been critical in approaching our chambered electric designs as well. Congratulations Kim on your first 35 years.

Peter Newport
President, Visionary

breedloveguitars.com

## The Breedlove Extraordinary Experience

The guitarist's vacation complete with the *ultimate* souvenir.

# Each August under a full moon the Extraordinary Experience includes:

Evening reception, musical performance Guitarist's massage, fingerstyle manicure Interactive Breedlove shop tour with Breedlove craftsman Scenic exotic car rally Dinner & evening concert

Tone talk & instrument sampling, guitar set-up Deschutes River whitewater rafting

Acoustic cave exploration

Evening concert

Selection of instrument style, tonewoods, details and inlay fretscape (and sharing of "triple crown" tales)

# Breedlove "King-for-a-Day" Experience

You're "King-for-a-Day" with a custom Breedlove Extraordinary Experience tailored to your tastes and your schedule.

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CM Exotic with

McKenzie River of Life inlay



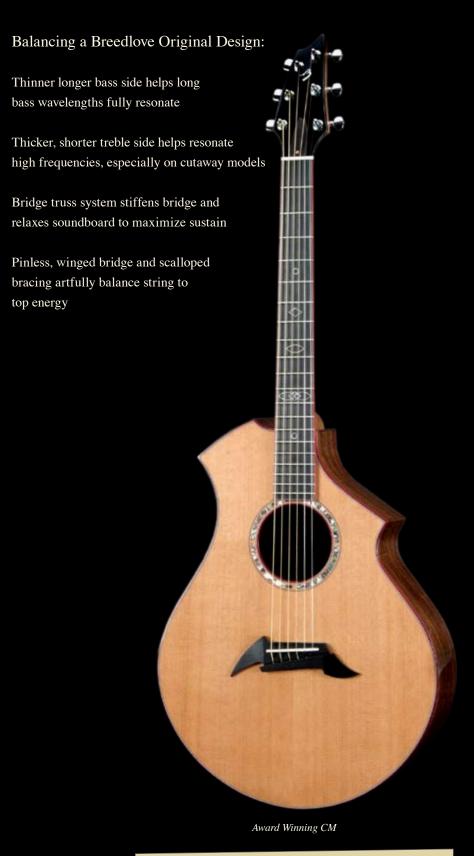






## BALANCE

## SUSTAIN



thinner (resonates bass)

thicker (resonates treble)

C12, C22

J10, J20

Graduated Top Thickness (original design)



Bridge truss system stiffens bridge and relaxes top to resonate freely

A15, A25

D20

C10, C20

D25



Balancing a Breedlove Revival Series Design

Graduated top thickess is designed for root-note precision, clarity and focus

Lightweight scalloped forward X-bracing geared for power and balance

Pinned bridge for fast, powerful release of energy

Designed for swift, balanced flat-picking, and fast, clear chording



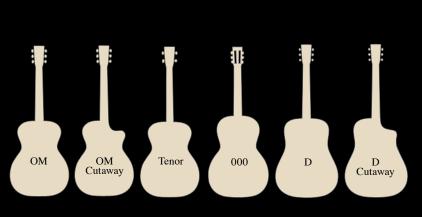
Revival 000-R Deluxe

thinner (resonates bass)

thicker (resonates treble) Graduated Top Thickness thinner (resonates bass)



Revival Designs



Original Designs

A10, A20

J15, J25

A12, A22

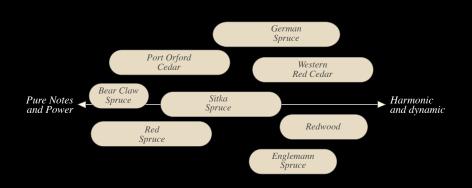
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#### Top Woods

Top woods are arranged in order of relative stiffness and tonal response. Note that the top wood is responsible for approximately 80% of the acoustic sound of an instrument.



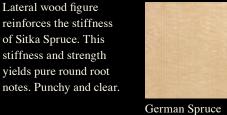
#### Back & Side Woods

The back and side woods color the accoustic tone by resonating at their unique frequencies. The generalizations below apply to the Breedlove voicing techniques for each wood species below.

Maple Resonates -Treble Bass Ziricote Mahogany Koa



reinforces the stiffness of Sitka Spruce. This stiffness and strength yields pure round root notes. Punchy and clear.



The "ringiest" Spruce - clear and bell-like. Excellent for fingerstyle and medium strumming. Abundant overtones.



Deep, warm yet punchy, very piano-like. Powerful rich sound. Clean mid and treble. A good all-around player's choice.



Curly Maple

Textured Tone

Our Maple guitars retain the balance, clarity, and string-to-string separation that Maple is known for, with a depth unique to Breedlove.

Sitka Spruce

Bear Claw

Powerful, highest strength to weight ratio tonewood. Great for hard-driving and flat-picking styles. Red winter line creates

Strong, fibrous and stiff.

We can build unusually

Red Spruce. Extremely

Quite versatile.

aromatic like eucalyptus.

thin to yeild the power of





More flexible than Sitka Spruce and rings with clean overtones. Responds well to light touch. Pale in color with beatiful "silking."



Oregon Black

Walnut

of Mahogany, and the rich depth of Rosewood. An excellent exotic tone-wood, with unique warmth and tonal depth.

The textured woodiness



The powerful voice of Rosewood and the clarity, of Maple. One of the best recording tone woods available. One of Oregon's exotic tone-woods.

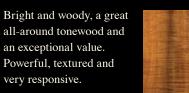
Adirondack Spruce (aka Red Spruce)

Englemann Spruce

Western Red Cedar



Mahogany





Koa

Exotic Hawian tonewood. Highest grades are extremely rare. Warm and woody. Koa's voice sweetens and deepens over time.



Port Orford Cedar

(aka White Cedar)

Renowned for high quality and excellent tonality. Versatile - works well for all styles of playing. A

Pacific Northwest wood.

Dynamic, complex and resonates subtle nuances of tone. Phenomenal for light-touch fingerstyle or heavy-handed natural distortion effects.

Striking orange and black variegation age to rich reds and blacks. Clean, deep and resonant sound.



Acoustic properties are a blend of Brazilian and Indian Rosewood with added mid-range power. Makes for powerful and

precise 12-strings.

#### binding styles



Abalone Purfling top



Black, Tortoise or Ivoroid "S" Style



Bloodwood



Herringbone Purfling top







Ziricote



Punchy and full, with a bell-like chime. Reddishbrown to purple to black. Traditional straight grain or highly-figured "stump wood" styles available.

Brazilian Rosewood



Ivoroid



Walnut

Custom requests welcome





Triptych, inlaid into a series of matching fretscapes by Kim Breedlove for R. Morrow of Santa Barbara California.



L.R. Baggs magnetic pickup and custom cover



Striped ebony is a tonewood that we have popularized, for guitar building, over the last fifteen years. It has a strong, reflective, powerful mid-range and has taken its rightful seat among the "uber rosewoods." The Master Class Series "Classic XII" boasts the versatility of Sitka Spruce, the magical sustain and swell of the original Breedlove bracing system and the reflective room-filling power of Striped Ebony.

"The Classic XII is flat out one of the best 12 strings we've ever heard or played."

—Vintage Guitar Magazine

# Classic XII

Breedlove J22 shape Jumbo, deep body, sharp cutaway Select Sitka Spruce top Select Striped Ebony back and sides Pinless winged bridge Original bridge truss bracing system Graduated top thickness Bone nut & saddle Silky hand rubbed neck Highest gloss finish





A Breedlove craftsman selects wood from giant Oregon Walnut timbers, and a rare giant figured Port Orford Cedar timber sits to the right. Walnut is one of our favorite woods for the custom shap basses. The custom shop basses have been fifteen years in the making, and by popular demand, we are proud to reintroduce them.

"I don't know of another acoustic bass guitar that has the projection, playability, attention to  $detail\ and\ truly\ MASTER\ craftsman ship\ this\ bass\ offers.\ From\ the\ pro\ player\ looking\ for\ absolute$ quality that delivers a lifetime of performances, to the recreational player looking for ultra-high quality or investment grade instruments, the Master Class B22 custom acoustic bass delivers!"

-James C. Bethea

## B22 Custom Bass

Jumbo, deep body, sharp cutaway, Pinless Winged Bridge Select Bear Claw Sitka Spruce top Select figured Oregon Walnut Original bridge truss bracing system Graduated top thickness 32" Scale, 1-3/4" Nut, 16" radius Bone nut & saddle Silky hand rubbed neck Highest gloss finish





Breedlove offers you the ability to select the woods for your guitar. You'll know the one.

"The guitar arrived today (Breedlove Master Class King Koa) in perfect condition. I bought this guitar because of the unique nature of the instrument. The fit, finish and setup were absolutely perfect. I took the guitar out of its case, tuned it, and I guess the best I can say is I'm typing this with my teeth, because I refuse to put it down!"

—Randy, Discovery Bay California

## King Koa

Breedlove C25 shape

Concert, deep body, soft cutaway

Select Koa back and sides

Master grade Western Red Cedar top

Pinless winged bridge

Original bridge truss bracing system

Graduated top thickness

Bone nut & saddle

Silky hand rubbed neck

Highest gloss finish

Abalone top purfling Mermaid inlay







The Master Class Series "Northwest" represents the spirit of Breedlove. Its Exotic Myrtlewood, Black Walnut, Sitka Spruce and Big Leaf Maple are all powerfully striking tonewoods that grow in our state of Oregon and throughout the Pacific Northwest. Powerful Native American Totem images adorn the fretscape. It has unique sustain and balanced power with the depth of Rosewood and the sparkle of Maple. Each note is a journey. Each chord is like a family of singers. Note the three-year-old Myrtlewood tree next to the giant aged exotic timbers.

"Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the briar shall come up the myrtle tree."

—Isaiah, 55:13

## The Northwest

Breedlove C25 shape
Concert, deep body, soft cutaway
Select Myrtle back and sides
Master grade Sitka Spruce top
Concert, deep body, soft cutaway
Pinless winged bridge
Bridge truss bracing system
Graduated top thickness
Bone nut & saddle
Silky hand rubbed neck
Highest gloss finish
Hand etched northwest Totem Inlays





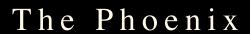


Above, a Breedlove craftsman is measuring the top wood graduations to remain thicker on the treble and to become gradually thinner on the bass side.

The Master Class "Phoenix" serves as a metaphor for Breedlove: enigmatic, supernatural, and determined to rise from its ashes. The salvaged Redwood top, dark and powerful spider webbed Ziricote is adorned with rich bloodwood and herringbone elements. Kim Breedlove's Phoenix inlay rises from a midnight black fingerboard. This compact masterwork performs complex sustain and subtle tricks for those re-creating their intimate playing style.

"...the sound, tonal complexity, physical design, comfort and general appearance all combine to make this instrument truly extraordinary..."

—D. Perry, Dalton, PA



Breedlove C10 shape
Concert, shallow body, non-cutaway
Select salvaged Redwood top
Select Ziricote back and sides
Pinless winged bridge
Original bridge truss bracing system
Graduated top thickness
Bone nut & saddle
Silky hand rubbed neck







Grammy Award winning fingerstyle virtuoso, Ed Gerhard, co-created this unique guitar design. It is the most dynamic and broad ranged guitar Breedlove has made. Express each note as Ed does with the jumbo frets, extremely graduated Sitka Spruce Top, powerful Indian Rosewood back and sides, dynamic jumbo soundboards and comfortable shallow depth. The resonance and clarity of a baby grand yet the sensual enjoyment of a world class guitar. A second Gerhard Exotic Signature model is available, complete with Braizilian Rosewood back and sides, German Spruce top and, figured Koa Rosette.

Player's Choice Award Winner, Acoustic Guitar Magazine

### The Ed Gerhard Signature Model

Breedlove J15 shape Jumbo, shallow body, soft cutaway Select Sitka Spruce Top Select Indian Rosewood back & sides Flamed Koa rosette Pinless Winged Bridge Original bridge truss bracing system Extremely graduated top thickness Bone nut & saddle Jumbo frets Silky hand rubbed neck Highest gloss finish



"... Gerhard targets a tune's emotion with unerring accuracy."

—Guitar Player Magazine





Above, Wilco's Jeff Tweedy with his signature model Revival OOO/R Limited Edition. The Breedlove Revival Series is our celebration and interpretation of the great guitars from the 1930's and 1940's. We've combined the Pre-War style forward X-bracing with the expert bracing techniques and advancements from Breedlove's experience. Enjoy the refinement in these designs as they are tonal opposites to the Original Breedlove designs. This makes for an extremely broad offering to Breedlove clients seeking the right sound for the right situation. Explosive power and fast pure notes are as balanced as you would expect from any Breedlove. Revival models include the OM, OOO, Tenor OM and Dreadnought designs.

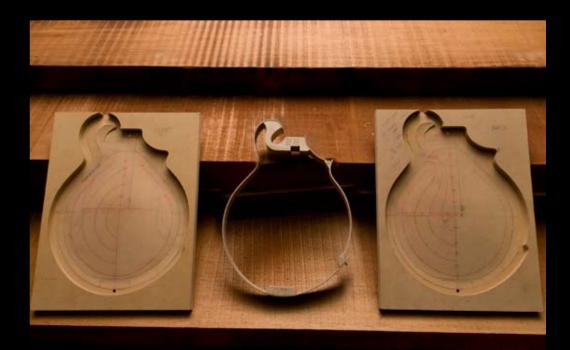
"...Breedlove has most faithfully recreated the vintage sound. The craftsmanship is impeccable, and Breedlove offers what is often lacking in the instruments of our grandfathers: the ultimate in playability. My Revival DR covers all the bases: live performance, studio, and spontaneous jams here at home."

- Tim May, Artist, Nashville, TN

### Revival DR Deluxe

Vintage style dreadnought body
Graduated Adirondack Spruce top
Indian Rosewood Back and Sides
Pre-war scallopped Adirondack Spruce bracing
Bone nut & saddle
Silky hand rubbed neck
Highest gloss finish
Completely customizable





Kim designed the Breedlove mandolins to be familiar yet with innovative advancements in tone and playability. From the simple elegance of the Quartz Series, to the original Premier Series, to the extremely detailed Master Class Series to the unique features of each Private Reserve Series, every design has the world class playability, tone and quality to be handed down for generations. There are three major designs: the O-shape, K-shape and F-shape. Each is available with Oval soundhole and x-bracing or F-holes and tone bar bracing. Our custom shop offers numerous options to personalize your mandolin.



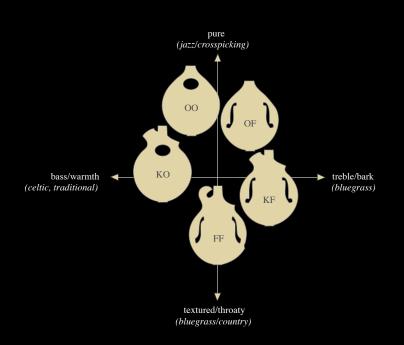
"When I picked up the F-F and heard it's killer tone I had to have it. I have been playing it for a week now and it has made me a better musician with it's wide string spacing. Very nice work, I'm totally stoked to own it!"

—Mark F., Scotts Valley, CA

### Master Class F-F

Best in Show Award winning F-F body shape
Highest Grade carved Adirondack Spruce Top
Adirondack Spruce Tone Bar Bracing
Master Grade Western Big Leaf Maple back and sides
Individually voiced
Nut width 1-3/16"
Figured Maple Neck
Wide string spacing for note-for-note clarity

Custom hand rubbed neck Highest gloss Sunburst finish





Mark II



The mission behind Breedlove Electrics is tonal versatility, custom fitting and, custom voicing. The Breedlove Mark I and Mark II chambered electric guitar designs were in development for over two years. Upon release they both won "Best in Show" awards back-to-back out of hundreds of instrument builders. The all new Mark IV is a simplified version of the Mark II. The Mark III, slated for 2009 introduction, will be a simplified version of the Mark I.

Mark II Best in Show: Trendsetter Award Winter NAMM 2008

— International Music Products Association Trade Show

## Mark II Synergy Custom

"Wicked Burst" Glossy Finish

Master Grade Maple top

Honduran Mahogany back & one-piece neck

Ebony fingerboard

Lightweight asymmetrically chambered ergo Mark II body

1-11/16" graphite nut

25" scale

Compound radius fingerboard

Hand rubbed ultra fast neck

Double cut trapezoidal neck to body geometry

Breedlove Synergy System versatility:

RMC Hexaphonic piezo pickups

RMC Polydrive 5 with patch changes

Jason Lollar Imperial Humbucker pickups

3-way switch

13-pin Roland ready outputs signal from all 8 pickups

1/4" output for blended signal

1/4" output for split piezo and humbucker signals

#### Custom Options:

Broad variety of tonewoods, pickups, sound holes, chambers, hardware, knob configurations, tuning machines, strings, frets, inlays, stains, exotic crushed diamond color schemes and more.





Exotic Big Leaf Quilted Maple is unloaded and graded after an arduous wood huntng trip.

Best in Show Award, Summer NAMM Show 2007 —GuitarJamDaily.com

### The Mark I Custom

#### Glossy custom translucent blue finish

Award winning CM body style

Master Grade Maple top

Select Honduran Mahogany body

Custom neck width and shapes

Lightweight asymmetrically chambered Mark I body

Compound radius fingerboard

Hand rubbed ultra fast neck Completely customizable

"Pickups can't make a lousy guitar sound great. But they can absolutely make a great guitar sound wonderful. That's what's going on with the Breedloves. The designs, the woods, the construction, they're all first class. Add to that a carefully matched pickup set – one that takes into consideration the natural timbres of the tone woods – and the result is world class no-compromise

instrument; one we're proud to be associated with."

 $-Evan\ Skopp,\ Seymour\ Duncan\ Pickups$ 





The California Guitar Trio performs with the Breedlove Synergy System featuring RMC hexaphonic piezo pickups that allow for extreme effects through Roland VG synthesized and effects gear. Many now use the system to record note-for-note editable music to hit their desired recorded sound in fewer takes.



The Custom Shop Performance Guitars are designed for the most demanding live and studio performances. The best pickups from RMC, L.R. Baggs, Fishman and Carlos are available. The Performance Package guitars are 100% customizable. We invite you to customize the tonewoods, frets, neck woods, nut & saddle, finishes, electronics, body shapes, depths, binding and purfling details, cutaways, ergonomic features, and personalize the artwork.

# Focus Special Edition

Exotic Salvaged Redwood top
Select Indian Rosewood back & sides
Breedlove Master Class rosette with bound soundhole
Special Edition position markers
Dual strap buttons
Custom L.R. Baggs pickup
Ready to plug in
Completely customizable



<sup>&</sup>quot;All of our transducers are built on the principle of authenticity to the instrument. The high quality of the amplified sound brought forth from the Breedlove guitar is in large part due to it's rich resonant quality and authenticity of the instrument itself."

—Lloyd Baggs, L.R. Baggs Pickups



Breedlove Custom Shop craftsmen assemble Pro-Series D25/SR, H guitars.

We were told it could not be done. We set out to create the highest value guitar for the working musician. A U.S.A. made Breedlove with a remarkable set of features at an even more amazing price.

How did we acheive it? Sixty percent of the work results from our custom shop team preparing the highest gloss finish, custom shop bridges, fretwork, assembly and string-up processes. Thirty percent of the handcrafted work is done with our woodworking team in Korea with the highest quality one-piece necks and all solid tonewoods from the Pacific Northwest, India, Indonesia and Africa. Add the quality of Gotoh tuning

machines from Japan, German fretwire, Canadian nut & saddle, an award winning L.R. Baggs Element Active-VTC pickup, and the deluxe Breedlove hardshell case, you end up with a no-compromise world class performance guitar with a Made in the USA Limited Lifetime Warranty. We did it, and these are 100% Breedlove.





"This guitar is really fun to play, comfortable to hold, and most importantly, sounds wonderful. It has such a deep bass for a smaller guitar. The L.R. Baggs (Element Active) is a great addition. Worth every penny!"

- Giovanni N., San Bernardino, CA



"I love my new guitar. I played every brand and model guitar that I could get my hands on before I made this purchase. The tone of this guitar captured me from the beginning. My friends are amazed that such a mature sounding tone could come from a brand new guitar."

- Randy T., Buckeye, AZ



Left, Chris Lindquist, Guitarist, Designer, and Quality Control Manager, performing the final inspection on a "Black Magic" guitar from the Atlas Series.

Each Breedlove Atlas Series Guitar was designed by Kim Breedlove to be executed at high quality at our partner operation in South Korea. Each Atlas Series guitar features elements from the Breedlove original design philosophy. Select from more than 12 different concert and dreadnought models. We invite you to discover more about each model at breedloveguitars.com.

"I'd been shopping around for a couple of years while saving up my meager ill-gotten gig gains. I've played a lot of guitars and I really liked the look and warm tone of the Gibson SJ200. I was also drawn to the bright distinct tone and sustain of Taylors. I was in a little guitar shop in Salt Lake when I ran across one of yours. I'm a bit of a maverick and I was looking for something unique. When I played it, my wife said the look on my face was akin to the one I make during... well let's say... more intimate moments. At the risk of sounding cliche' it was love at first bite, a perfect fit for my playing style. Just exactly what I was looking for."

—Scott O., Tremonton, UT



"The action is amazing, my hands just glide up and down the neck. You have to own a Breedlove. Attention: Martin and Taylor fans, there's a new kid in town."

—John M., Manalapan, NJ

The guitar sounds wonderful both unplugged and plugged in. I don't think you could find a better guitar for the money, or even 3 times the price of this beauty."

—Robert C., Levittown, PA

"I was a Taylor player, or looking at becoming one. But having played several Breedloves and now owning one, I am a lifetime owner and player. And I can't wait to try out your line of mandolins."

-Michael C., Queen Creek, AZ



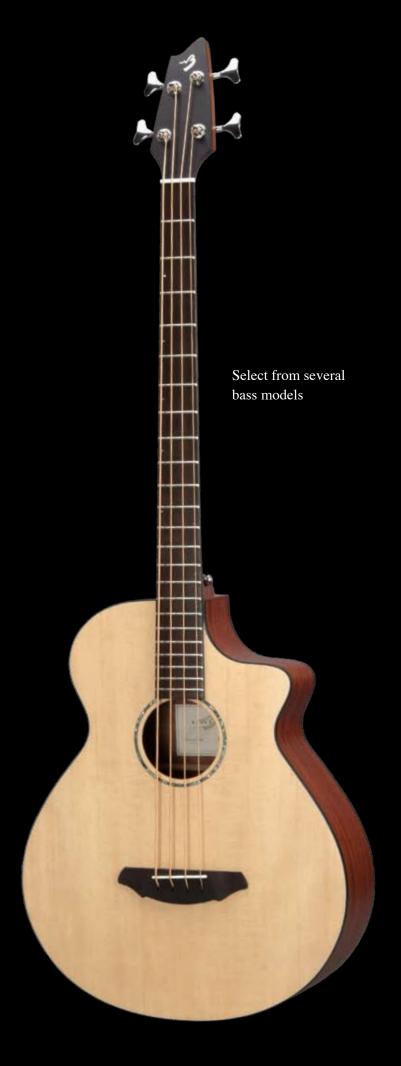
Left, A Breedlove craftsman adjusts the bridge truss system at the beginning of the quality control process.

Each guitar is quality controlled and quality assured by Breedlove craftsman at our Custom Shop in Bend, Oregon, USA. Each must pass the Breedlove battery of tests to earn the "Quality Controlled in the USA" label signed by the Breedlove technician completing the final setup of the guitar. We invite you to discover more about each model at breedloveguitars.com.



"This is the best 12 string guitar I have ever played. It rivals anything Taylor has ever made. I love this guitar more than anything. I could not be more pleased. I just wish I had bought it sooner."

—Chris S., Richardson, TX



"This is without doubt the best acoustic bass I have ever played, superb tone and playability and the amplified sound is not compromised, it retains the same acoustic quality. I am soon to purchase the six and twelve string without hesitation. Please develop an electric bass soon, can't wait!!"

—Andrew Perry, Walsall, West Midlands, UK



A Breedlove quality control bench includes dozens of tools to make the final fit and finish just so.

Introducing the Breedlove Retro Series. Inspired by the Breedlove Revival designs we begin with four key models with an ear towards tradition. These fine instruments are created with the same level of craftsmanship that have made the award winning Breedlove Atlas Series so highly regarded. That is where the similarities end. The OM and Dreadnought models are extremely quick and powerful for demanding flatpicking, bluegrass and the blues.

Each Retro Series guitar comes with the all new L.R. Baggs Stage Pro with Element pickup (Acoustic Guitar Magazine's Player's Choice Award Winner) featuring a stealthy chromatic tuner. Additional options include Revival style Pre-War X-bracing, glossy finish, Englemann or Sitka Spruce tops, Rosewood or Mahogany backs and sides.

The L.R. Baggs Stage Pro Pickup was a five-year collaboration with Lloyd Baggs, Injae Park and team Breedlove to create the best sounding pickup at an unpreedented price.

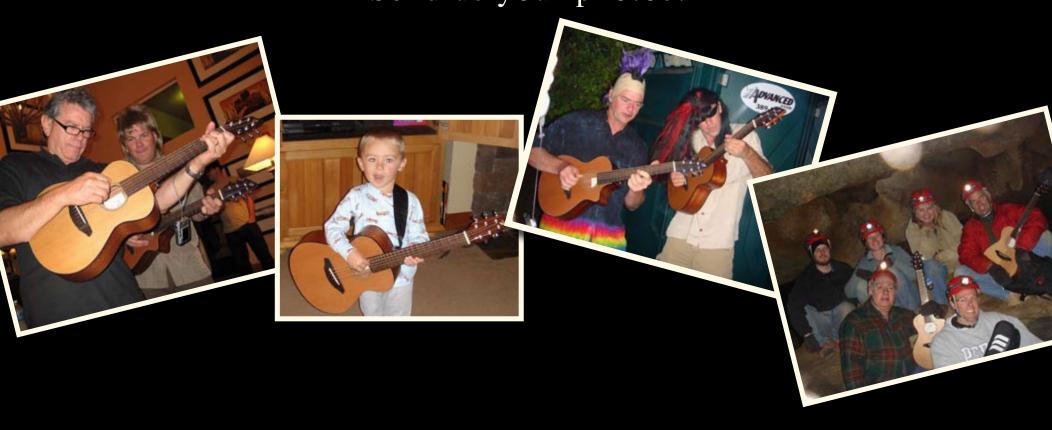
- Peter Newport, President



"The affordable traditional style of acoustic guitars is an area that has seen a lot of growth in the music market place. I have found that no other company has been able to offer the experience and quality that Breedlove delivers with the Retro Series. I love my Retro OM."

—Mick Sullivan

# Send us your photos!





"I played many guitars, including Gibson, Martin and Taylor models, some costing many times more than my new Passport D20. This guitar just came alive in myhands like none other in the store. I left without buying it, but had to turn around half way to my car. I could not risk someone else taking MY guitar home before I could ask my wife what she thought... This D20 was the nicest sounding guitar in the store. Balanced sound fromevery string, up an down the neck; beautiful finish; gorgeous tone; easy to play."