

USMC Theme Guitar, a One of a Kind Custom Creation!

Description

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Each **Doner Designs** theme guitar is a one-of-a-kind custom creation. Our theme guitars are made for donation to, and auction by, the charities we support.

These guitars are fully functional and constructed with super-premium hardware and electronics sure to please any musician, but are also works of art suitable for display and inspiration. A self-study book and complete set of quality accessories is included so that even new players can get started immediately.

The custom pickguard and backplate were manufactured by **Axetreme Creations**. Axetreme was instrumental in partnering with us on the design and styling of the pickguard. On their own initiative, Axetreme purchased a set of USMC camo fatigues and was able to use the actual uniform fabric on the pickguard.

The USMC guitar features a **Warmoth** Snakehead-style neck similar to what was used on the original Fender Telecaster prototype. The two-piece alder Telecaster body is also from **Warmoth**. The neck and body were modified and finished by Doner Designs and friend/sponsor **Bob Verner**.

Three **Nordstrand** pickups with 5-way pickup selector offer a vast array of tonal options. The guitar also features a custom noise cancellation (NC) system built for us by **Audere Audio Engineering**. The NC circuitry significantly reduces single coil pickup hum. For the purist, the NC system can be bypassed.

For hardware, we use **Babicz Full Contact Hardware (FCH)** bridges and **Hipshot** tuning machines.

Estimated Value

Valuation of this unique item is not an exact science. The standard cost of parts, materials and accessories, excluding Doner Designs labor, is about \$2,000. We believe that the selling price at a charity event should be in the range of \$2,000 to \$3,000. A starting bid of approximately \$1,000 is suggested.

(See reverse side for specifications)



Features & Specifications

- Custom styling, design, construction, finish and setup by **Doner Designs** in suburban Chicago
- Custom pickguard & backplates manufactured and co-designed by **Axextreme Creations**
- Fender licensed **Warmoth** Snakehead neck as was utilized on the first Fender Telecaster prototypes
- Fender licensed **Warmoth** Telecaster-style two piece alder body (donated and dyed by **Bob Verner**). Dye and clear satin nitro donated by **The Guitar ReRanch**.
- **Nordstrand NMT** bridge pickup - a pumped-up version of the traditional Telecaster pickup – for a louder, more aggressive sounding Tele.
- Two **Nordstrand NVT** pickups - a vintage spec version of a traditional Telecaster pickup set featuring a very warm and complex tone.
- Custom noise cancellation system from **Audere Audio Engineering** significantly reduces single coil pickup hum and, for the purist, can be bypassed.
- **Babicz Full Contact Hardware** bridge for maximum resonance and sustain
- **Hipshot** tuning machines for precise and stable tuning
- Master volume and tone controls
- Five way pickup selector switch
- Separate battery box for quick changes
- Doner Designs logo neck plate (donated by **LazrArt**)
- Aurora gold strings donated by **GuitarStringsOnline**

Accessories Included

- **Robles Roadcase** premium gig bag
- **Levy's** white cotton strap with leather ends
- **Fender** Frontman 25 watt 1x12 combo amplifier (amp and misc accessories from **Guitar Center**)
- **Road Runner** accessories/pedal bag
- Gear One headphones
- **Tascam** tuner/metronome
- Matching custom cable made by **Dave Lowe**
- **Hal Leonard** guitar method book
- Compact guitar stand
- Wall hanger
- Extra set of strings
- Assortment of picks

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We would like to thank our sponsors for helping to make this guitar a reality!

- **Axextreme Creations** (pickguard & back plate)
- **Audere Audio** (custom noise cancellation system)
- **Babicz Full Contact Hardware** (bridge)
- **Bob Verner** (donor of Warmoth body & finish assistance)
- **Dave Lowe** (custom cable)
- **Hipshot** (tuning machines)
- **Nordstrand Pickups** (pickups)
- **The Guitar ReRanch** (finishing supplies)
- **Guitar Center - Villa Park, IL** (misc accessories)
- **LazrArt** (laser engraved logo neck plate)
- **MilitaryStencils.com** (paint mask stencils)
- **Robles Roadcase** (blue gig bag)
- A few **anonymous** cash donors