What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **visserman** » 18 Jan 2012, 15:08

Now that you have mentioned what your first one was let us know what your second one was.
The second one is a sign when serious dependency on the Boss brand starts to kick in.....

Well it took me five years before I would get my second one. It was at a time I had found a book about effects and somewhere in the book there was a mention of putting phasers together in series to add more stages to the actual phase sound. Needless to say I had to try that idea. Went out and to see what phasers I could find. To my surprise I could not find that many, but one of them was the PH-2. It happend to be the most unique souding one from the bunch.

Did the idea of putting them togeher work? Well, it turned the sound into some kind of mess with each phaser having its own level and not being able to match things that well. To top the mess I added a Dunlop Wah, which made the sound even worse.

Well from our second we can go to third, fourth ect. if you can remember them all that is.
For me it would be another seven years before I would get the next Boss pedal. A Flanger this time (one of the last BF-2's before they became BF-3!!). It felt like I had now all the sounds a guitarist would ever need. How wrong could I be eh?

visserman

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **DB Cooper** » 18 Jan 2012, 15:37

My second and third BOSS pedals were purchased together via local Craigslist. They were the OC-3 and PH-3. I couldn't believe how cool they looked (especially the green PH-3) and the bizarre sounds I could make with them. Since then, I've not had a whole lot of use for the Octave pedal, and thus haven't really pursued the OC-2 (although I will, of course, pick it up eventually).

Really dig the phaser, though, and since have snagged a silver screw PH-1 and a PH-2. Only missing the PH-1r to complete the family!

Sometimes I link up all three phasers in unison, and get some really far-out sounds.

DB Cooper

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **Pepe** » 18 Jan 2012, 15:59

My first BOSS pedal purchases

2001:

GE-7B (used, 50,- DM)
SYB-3 (used, 180,- DM)
ODB-3 (used, 90,- DM)

I used these pedals for quite a long time alongside with my multi effects unit KORG AX30G (bought used for 260,- DM in 1999), a Marshall Jackhammer and a Marshall Bluesbreaker (both bought new in 2001) and a Dunlop GCB-95 CryBaby (bought used for 100,- DM in 2001). I wanted an SYB-3 badly since I've seen one in a BOSS price list - but it was very expensive then. I was glad to find one used for half of that price.

2003:
DF-2 MIT (used, ~35,- EUR)
RV-5 (new)
GEB-7 (new)

2004:
DD-6 (new)
PH-3 (new)
OC-3 (new)

I purchased lots of other BOSS pedals later on, especially from 2009 on until now. I almost stopped buying them new, because the Roland/BOSS deal in the shop I use to work has run out in 2004. I bought a few NOS EH-2's and a new RT-20 from a shop in France last year and a new BF-3 and a new LMB-3 from a shop in the USA in 2005.

Pepe

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **Joske_Turbo** » 18 Jan 2012, 16:23

My second one was a BF-2, second hand. From then off the Boss-virus really got me

Joske_Turbo

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **DB Cooper** » 18 Jan 2012, 16:26

> *Joske_Turbo wrote:*
> *My second one was a BF-2, second hand. From then off the Boss-virus really got me*

It is a virus, isn't it? In that there is no known cure...

DB Cooper

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **verivorax** » 18 Jan 2012, 16:42

My second and third pedals came together - my first MIJs, an NF-1 and CE-2. Both super cheap, but it got me going.. I'm pushing 100 compacts now, almost all MIJ.

verivorax

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **tunghaichuan** » 18 Jan 2012, 17:03

It's hard to remember that far back, it's been almost 30 years since I bought my first Boss pedal.

Probably a CE-3 or DD-3.

tunghaichuan

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **Laurie** » 18 Jan 2012, 17:10

MIT DS-1 which was ultimately modded and modded and modded... eventually to standard SEM spec. The board was so badly hacked by excessive modding that I eventually got my hands on another board, did a single SEM mod on it and replaced the board with that.

By that point, I had the bug.

Laurie

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **Dirk** » 18 Jan 2012, 17:24

My 2nd one was the CE-2b which I bought new in '96.
I had to have one cause Duff Mckagan used chorus on the bass....

My 3rd one was an ODB-3 in '97, probably cause I'd really gotten into Metallica by that point.

Dirk

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **sclitheroe** » 18 Jan 2012, 18:37

I think it was an FBM-1 and a FRV-1 in the same order. So that's about 12 years between the BD-2 and my second Boss pedal. The floodgates were open after that though. The last five years have been good to me.

Prior to that, I was using the crummy distortion channel on my crummy practice amp, with my crummy particleboard guitar, not knowing any better (and not understanding why any pedal in general sounded like garbage with my garbage setup and abilities). It wasn't until I discovered the passion, got serious with practise, and got some better gear that I really got rolling on the pedal front.

sclitheroe

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **Davetheslave** » 18 Jan 2012, 20:36

The MT-2 was my second boss pedal. I bought it because the DS-1 wasn't meeting my distortion needs. I still have/use it on my practice and have since had it keeley modded. Which makes it 100 times better.

Davetheslave

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **jsoi_narciso** » 19 Jan 2012, 01:13

my second Boss pedal was a MIJ DS-1 (used)

jsoi_narciso

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **jungleboy867** » 19 Jan 2012, 03:01

I got my second and third boss pedals at the same time. The OC3, which I soon returned as I couldn't stand the quality of, and a Metal Zone which I used heavily for a long time, but later lost interest in

jungleboy867

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **visserman** » 19 Jan 2012, 11:01

Pepe,

You paid some serious prices for those secondhand pedals you mentioned in your first list. Bought from a musicshop or.....??

Laurie, what does SEM Spec. stand for? I think I have read it here before somewhere but not really sure what this stands for.
Cheers!!

visserman

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **natthu** » 19 Jan 2012, 11:03

> *visserman wrote:*
> *...what does SEM Spec. stand for?*

Seeing Eye Mod

natthu

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **Pepe** » 19 Jan 2012, 11:26

> *visserman wrote:*
> *Pepe,*
> *You paid some serious prices for those secondhand pedals you mentioned in your first list. Bought from a musicshop or.....??*

I got them all from local ads in the internet. Back then several music devices could be have for cheap. I should have bought much more - but I got married shortly afterwards and our finances have not been that good in the first year (I still was a trainee and my wife started to study).

Divide those DM prices in halves and you have the approximate price in EUR.
25,- EUR for a GE-7B was really not bad. But I expected to having paid for a GEB-7! I didn't know of the older bass models at that time.
90,- EUR for the SYB-3 was great as well. Years later I sold that one for 130,- EUR, bought another SYB-3, sold it again, and bought another one, because I couldn't part with it for a long time.
45,- EUR for the ODB-3 was also a good deal. It was mint and came with the box and the manual. But I don't regret having sold that one. I wait till Laurie has built the holy grail of bass overdrive.

Pepe

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **Dirk** » 19 Jan 2012, 17:15

> *Pepe wrote:*
> *I wait till Laurie has built the holy grail of bass overdrive.*

I hear ya, brother!

The ODB-3 isn't bad by itself, but in a band context I even got comments from the guitar players that they couldn't hear me anymore everytime I used it on a Motörhead song or something.

Obviously, it's missing midrange.

Dirk

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **djeaux** » 19 Jan 2012, 21:45

My second BOSS pedal was an RC-3. My first was a VE-20, which isn't even in my guitar signal chain! The second pedal in my guitar chain was a DS-1 that I added after the RC-3...

djeaux

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **DB Cooper** » 19 Jan 2012, 22:58

RC-3 and DS-1 - you are well on your way!

DB Cooper

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **Pepe** » 19 Jan 2012, 23:10

Nice to meet you again, djeaux!

Pepe

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **Dirt Box** » 20 Jan 2012, 00:14

First was a PH2, which I sold.

Second was a MIT BF2, which fell off my halfstack and the res knob broke off-shaft and all. I picked up a BF3 for thirty bucks at a pawn show so I sold the broken BF2 it as-is, bundled with a MD2. Well, I couldn't stand the BF3, even though I liked the momentary feature, so the BF3 has since been replaced by a MIJ BF2.

Dirt Box

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **thealien666** » 24 Aug 2012, 19:38

My very first Boss compact pedal was a CE3. The second one was a DSD2. Both MIJ. That was back in 1985. I still have both.
I've had to recap the DSD2 recently. (ESR too high on many aging electrolytic caps, especially in the compander section, had reduced the feedback times significantly on it)

thealien666

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **nathanscribe** » 24 Aug 2012, 20:14

I *think* my first was a CE-3, and second was a CE-2. Not that far back, only about four years, as I'd always just used rackmount processing till then. I think I've been through about 20, maybe even 30 since... I dread to attempt to recall them.

nathanscribe

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **natthu** » 25 Aug 2012, 00:43

Man, that question is stretching the memory... I'm fairly certain my first Boss pedal was a PS-3, I bought that in maybe '96... but my second?
I seem to remember a BF-2 kicking around with the gear all my friends had, but I don't think it belong to me.
My second Boss pedal may have been bought after my long hiatus from electric guitar playing ended about 5 years ago... and that might have been the PS-3 I bought for sentimental reasons.

So it's likely my first and second Boss pedals were both PS-3s... and their purchases would have been seperated by more than ten years

natthu

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **Laurie** » 25 Aug 2012, 02:39

Second was a MIT DS-1 that was promptly SEM-ed.

Laurie

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **DasBeef** » 25 Aug 2012, 02:46

I think I got a DS-1 first, sold or swapped it, then got another DS-1. After that I think I stumbled upon a PQ-4 boxed for £29.99.....

DasBeef

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **verivorax** » 25 Aug 2012, 04:46

After a multi-year hiatus, I got my second and third pedals at the same time - a clean MIJ CE-2 and NF-1 for a steal. Those are the pedals that really started the whole thing for me..

verivorax

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **sylvesterlowery** » 27 Aug 2012, 06:05

My first and second Boss pedals were purchased within a few weeks of each other, if I remember right. Back in 1996 it was.
First was a GE-7 Equalizer that I picked up for 25 bucks at a pawnshop.
The second was a EH-2 Enhancer that I got for 25 bucks, also at a pawnshop.
Both pedals live on my board to this day.

sylvesterlowery

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **gibsonguitar1988** » 13 Sep 2012, 07:55

First was DS-1. Second was SD-1. Pretty much your standard fare.

gibsonguitar1988

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **zentropa** » 13 Sep 2012, 08:19

My first year playing guitar (1994) i got an hm-3 and fz-2 for x-mas and was told they could be exchanged at the store they were purchased at. On they day after x-mas ibrought them back to the store to sample a ton of them and pick out what i liked the best. Things went on sale at the store that day and they were offering 50% off boss pedals and 60% off Dod pedals. Ended up turning those 2 boss pedals into 4 dod pedals instead.

My first boss purchase were an mij GE-7 that i didnt even realize there was a diff in value between mij and mit. I just remember it was $29.99 and it was rare to find a used one with all of their slider covers.

#2 happened in 1997 and it was a silver screw CE-2 for $40 that i still have to this day (the second longest tenured piece of equip i have).

zentropa

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **Sinom** » 13 Sep 2012, 09:26

My first year of electric guitar was coincidentally 1994, I bought black MIM strat with white pickguard.

My first ever pedal was a "three banked no-name multi effects box" that was kind of set up to play in the style of particular artists. This was effectively the birth of a new era for me as I discovered the wonderful world of effects, didn't realise at the time I'd just caught a highly contageous disease!!! . The no-name pedal didn't last long - it self destructed as I remember, but it was just a cheapy!! (pedals were a rarity in Thailand and that time - still not particularly easy to come by, but a lot more Boss available)

My first boss pedal was a TU-2, soon followed by an MT-2, on the principle that it gave a wider range of effects to play with than just a single distortion or overdrive pedal. Still own both originals today, both in mint condition, never gigged - just a few carpet burns from home !!

The strat is still a player it has a lot of mileage / character.

Sinom

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **zentropa** » 13 Sep 2012, 13:58

My first guitar was a mim strat but in sunburst. I still have it today but it's seen a major overhaul. The only factory original parts left on it are the neck plate, pickguard, and 5-way selector. Oddly enough, mine never had a made in mexico decal applied so while it has an M serial #, it has no stated country of origin.

zentropa

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **howareyou10** » 13 Sep 2012, 20:08

mine was the GEB-7....pretty much bought for fun

howareyou10

Re: What Was Your Second Boss Pedal.....

by **Sinom** » 14 Sep 2012, 06:51

> *zentropa wrote:*
> *My first guitar was a mim strat but in sunburst. I still have it today but it's seen a major overhaul. The only factory original parts left on it are the neck plate, pickguard, and 5-way selector. Oddly enough, mine never had a made in mexico decal applied so while it has an M serial #, it has no stated country of origin.*

That's not much left from the original !!

Similarly my decals are the same..... no MIM, only has the M#

Sinom