BOSS - 5 questions!

by **fuzzbuzzfuzz** » 27 Jan 2013, 12:53

1) Your favorite and least favorite BOSS pedals (of those you owned or have owned), and why?
2) Best BOSS bargain/most satisfying deal/acquisition?
3) The most you have ever paid for a BOSS? <ahem> this could be controversial! (RNT - Rather Not Say is fine if you`re shy!)
4) Your next BOSS purchase will be and why?
5) Dream BOSS pedal (either that`d you`d love to have or would be delighted if they made it!)

I`ll go first:

1. Tough Q, I`d say my CE-2 - lovely gorgeous tone, simple 2 knobs, closely followed by a TR-2 . Worst - BOSS Metalzone, given for free and given away for free within a week, metallic middy nastiness through and through, I tried I really did....
2. BOSS CS-1 for about $25 almost mint a month ago.
3. Quite possibly my first BOSS, the LS-2 which was I think 64 pounds. A swiss army knife though..
4. MIJ SD-1 - sounded excellent through a Deluxe Reverb in the shop (the MIT version), or a NF-1 to be converted to SG-1 specs.
5. DM-2/VB-2 <swoon> and I`d love a "TR-3" that combined the panning of the PN-2 with the simplicity and natural tone of the TR-2. Of course they`d undoubtedly bog it up with some digital nonsense!

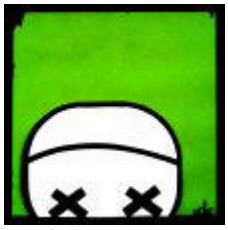
and over to you!

fuzzbuzzfuzz

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **natthu** » 27 Jan 2013, 13:43

1) Favourite: PS-3... for sentimental reasons. Plus it's fun / Least Favourite: AW-3... it sounds like poo.
2) Got an OC-2 "Octave" for $20 (including postage)... but I sold it....
3) DM-2... $300ish.... back when that was the going rate.
4) None. There are no Boss pedals left which I feel the need to try.
5) RE-2 (compact Space echo)... Boss twin pedals are too big.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Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **fuzzbuzzfuzz** » 27 Jan 2013, 14:10

Now I recall I have an AC-3 sitting in a shop waiting to be sold gathering dust - what a waste of cash!

fuzzbuzzfuzz

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Pepe** » 27 Jan 2013, 15:51

1. Very tough for me as well as I have a few BOSS favourites: DD-7, LM-2, OD-2R, RV-5, XT-2. But there is one pedal that I have bought for a third time after having made the mistake to buy and sell it two times before: the SYB-3. Versatile, unique and wicked sounding. Awesome little thing! I don't want to part with it another time. The least favourite BOSS pedal that I have owned: ODB-3! Had it two times. It has a few good sounds inside, but not enough to convince me that BOSS knows how to build a good bass overdrive pedal.
2. I once bought an LM-2 alongside with two Behringer DI boxes for 25 EUR or so. I sold the DI boxes (I don't want Behringer stuff in my home) for about 17 EUR. This way I only paid 8 EUR for the LM-2. I sold this one again, because Mully sold me his NOS LM-2.
3. That should be my RV-5. I bought it new. With good discount, because our shop still had a BOSS dealer contract back then. Never regretted this purchase.
4. RE-20! If it sounds only have as good as the RT-20 (which does an excellent job simulating a Leslie speaker!), it should be a killer pedal! At least this is the one that I'd really like to have. Another FZ-2 for a good price was grerat as well.
5. PN-2 follow-up model with tap tempo

Pepe

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Dirk** » 27 Jan 2013, 15:57

1) Fave: My modded to hell CS-3, that thing's been ON permanently since '95./Least, also the AW-3, horrible.
2) 5 euro's for a faulty CE-2b, that spontaneusly started to work again.
3) 100 euro's for a new PS-6, gotta love Ebay.
4) Not sure, maybe the new Tera Echo, sounds good.
5) A new model Bass drive, not that I need it, but still.

Dirk

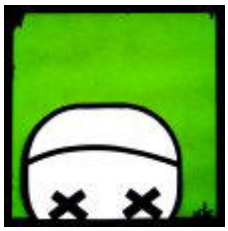
Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **natthu** » 27 Jan 2013, 16:17

> *Dirk wrote:*
> *...Least, also the AW-3, horrible.*

I wonder, is this pedal just particularly bad for us bass players, or do guitarists hate it aswell?

(I have used it with guitar, and this has lead me to the conclusion that it is rubbish no matter what you plug it into... the dedicated bass input for bass doesn't make it particularly more horrible... it's just all round horrible)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Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Boogieman** » 27 Jan 2013, 19:43

Assuming only compact pedals are allowed:

1. Favourite: I can't decided between CE-2 (for subtle but great sounding chorus) and the HM-2 (more than just the metal sound) and the BD-2 (I like its sensitivity to pick dynamics). Least favourite: AW-2. I wish I went to a store to demo it before ordering it. I have read somewhere that some people felt this pedal requires a lot of effort to dial in a good sound, but I gave up after 3 months of trying. Crap sound no matter how I dialed and tried. It has been sitting in its original box since 1999. To this day, this is the only Boss pedal that I have ever regretted buying.

2. Best Boss bargain: Picked up my SG-1 for US$40 around 1997. I had no idea what it was and neither did the shop.
Most satisfying acquistion: DD-2 when it came out. My first Boss pedal so I guess it is sentimental.

3. DD-2 for brand new pedals (I forgot how much, but it was one of the more expensive Boss pedals in guitar shops at the time). DC-2 for used pedals (I paid close to US$200 for it in 2001).

4. Seriously considering a RT-20 (ok, this is not a compact pedal) right now. For compact pedals, I am thinking of getting a TR-2.

5. A parametric EQ pedal (PQ-5?) from Boss would be nice.

Boogieman

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **DarrinPA** » 27 Jan 2013, 19:53

1) favorite LS-2, it's an odd choice but it really let me have the board setup I needed. **Least** - ODB-3 for bass, I do use it on guitar though and it's fine.
2) Best BOSS bargain Lauries' MT-2 with storm chaser mod for free. Thanks again Laurie!
3) most you have ever paid $150 for a new PS-5
4) Your next BOSS purchase Probably the TE-2 once I find it used for a good deal
5) Dream BOSS pedal There are quite a few but they should atleast have a decent bass distortion pedal.

DarrinPA

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Pepe** » 27 Jan 2013, 20:45

Again some guys who wish for a good bass dirt pedal...

Laurie, do you know what DingoTone is planning next? It still looks to me like a good bass OD could fill a gap in the DingoTone lineup. Or has Keane inside information for us? He hasn't been around very often lately.

Pepe

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Pieces Of The Night** » 27 Jan 2013, 20:56

1.Favorite Sd-1 least my ph-1 for the headaches in getting it repaired/fixing it.
2. Best deal An Od-2 from apr 1986. Not a scratch on it for $29.99. I got my ph-1 for $40
3. Most expensive outside of new pedals were my used xt-2 and fz-3 both were $69.99 each
4. Maybe one of the new ones either TE-2 or MO-2. or maybe a hm-3
5. I want an dc-2

Pieces Of The Night

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **fuzzbuzzfuzz** » 28 Jan 2013, 10:10

Headaches with a PH-1? I had the problem of a clipping input on a $50 bought silver screw last year, changed all the caps, scratched my head, gave up and traded it with a Behringer for my CE-2. Read up a few weeks later that it was designed that way and would likely be fine with a single coil - big doh moment!

And I 2nd that DC-2 notion!

fuzzbuzzfuzz

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Pieces Of The Night** » 28 Jan 2013, 19:03

My ph-1 had blown ic's so they needed to be changed. I first sent it off to Boss after they said they could fix it. They couldn't. I took it to another repair shop who said he could do it. He couldn't. I came here and Laurie helped me and i fixed it last summer. Many months and a lot of money wasted before I cam here and I got it up and running for the cost of 2 ic's which was like $10. Just the aggravation of people telling me they could fix it then they couldn't annoyed me and I will always associate it with that pedal. Other then that I've got no problems with it.

Pieces Of The Night

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **charmonder** » 29 Jan 2013, 00:13

1) favorite:
Boss RSD-10: an estranged love child of Boss SP-303 and Boss DD-2. I'm not sure I'll ever have a practical use for it, but I love what this thing does.

least favorite that I've owned:

SYB-5. And this is not to bash the pedal, but the more I used the SYB-5, the more it became apparent to me that I like the SYB-3 a whole lot more.

2/3/4) Simultaneously, the best bargain, the most I've ever paid, & (probably) my next BOSS purchase:
Boss GT-10. The current going prices used are sometimes less than half the price of GT-100. I like using the GT-10 so much I'm tempted to buy another for back up.

5) Dream BOSS pedal (never existed)
SYB-10. half rack bass synthesizer. separate inputs for volume and pitch tracking!

charmonder

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Dirk** » 29 Jan 2013, 17:50

> *charmonder wrote:*
> ***5) Dream BOSS pedal*** *(never existed)*
> *SYB-10. half rack bass synthesizer. separate inputs for volume and pitch tracking!*

Ooh, I bet Pepe would like that too.

Dirk

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Pepe** » 29 Jan 2013, 18:16

No. Indeed I'd prefer a twin pedal instead. I don't like rack units too much.

Or this one while BOSS still hasn't something new for us bass freaks:

I still haven't got one, but it's high on my GAS-list. First I have to sell a few pedals. Then I want the new KORG *MS-20 Mini*. And let's talk about that G5 again in two years or so...

Pepe

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **charmonder** » 29 Jan 2013, 20:56

in my dream, it is also true that the syb-10 half rack has a much better & warmer sound than the syb-20 twin pedal

charmonder

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Fragsie** » 26 Feb 2013, 18:43

Favourite - sd-2, perfect for a strat in front of a valve amp
Best deal - ce-2 and sg-1 for £100 for both !!!!!
Expensive - vb-2, £145
Next - mo-2 I think
Dream - an sp-1 at a reasonable price that works or a Zak Wilde sd-1 (I can dream)

Fragsie

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Pepe** » 26 Feb 2013, 19:41

> *Fragsie wrote:*
> *Favourite - sd-2, perfect for a strat in front of a valve amp*

+1 on that!
MIJ Fender Stratocaster + BOSS SD-2 + Marshall MA50C = great!

> *Fragsie wrote:*
> *Best deal - ce-2 and sg-1 for £100 for both !!!!!*

That was in 1983, or what?!

> *Fragsie wrote:*
> *Expensive - vb-2, £145*

And this was in 1987, huh?

Pepe

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **fuzzbuzzfuzz** » 27 Feb 2013, 14:07

Ha! Yes, those prices sound rather wonderful. SG-1 - hmm how about $450 these days - ouch!

fuzzbuzzfuzz

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Dirk** » 03 Mar 2013, 10:47

If everyone agrees not to pay that kind of money anymore, those absurd prices will go down in the future. However, as long as there are still fools paying that kind of cash, normal guys like us will never be able to own those rare pedals, shame.....

Dirk

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **DasBeef** » 03 Mar 2013, 11:13

1) **Favourite** - MIJ DS-1 **Least** - New SD-1's
2) **Best Deal** - Either boxed PQ-4 for £29.99 or MIJ DS-1 for £12.50 or Boxed with manual FA-1 for £90ish
3) **Most Expensive** - DM-2 at about £137
4) **Next pedal** - Not really after any. Maybe take a PH-1 or PH-1r if the price was right. I'd grab the older ones at the right price, but not really looking.
5) **Dream Pedal** - An RE-2 would be good, as well as an RT-2 or an SL-2.

DasBeef

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **RandomP** » 11 Mar 2013, 01:46

1) Favourite - Probably the DC-3. Least Favourite - Draw between the DS-2 and the CS-3.
2) Picked up a PQ-3b for $60.
3) RNT
4) Probably a delay - once I work out how to use the darn things...
5) GO-2 Goat Edition pedal --> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BG569wZI1Z4 and http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w0CdXaOS5_o

RandomP

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Ptak** » 11 Mar 2013, 07:29

1) Fav: I have no favourite. Whatever boss pedals i have all equally have their uses for me. Least Fav:AW-2 weak pedal
2) Boss DS-2 for $10
3) Not sure likely something in the PQ line. Under $200 for sure.
4) PH-3 or OC-3. Looking to finish my boss board.
5) A signature pedal by ME (when i get famous) lol

Ptak

Re: BOSS - 5 questions!

by **Pepe** » 11 Mar 2013, 10:25

> *Ptak wrote:*
> *5) A signature pedal by ME (when i get famous) lol*

That's the spirit!

Pepe