new twin pedal: Roland GU-10, guzheng preamp

by **charmonder** » 29 Mar 2015, 14:35

http://www.effectsdatabase.com/model/roland/gu10

charmonder

Re: new twin pedal: Roland GU-10, guzheng preamp

by **BearBoy** » 29 Mar 2015, 15:10

Not sure it's new considering it was released in 2011

Pedantry aside, it's certainly a new one for me

BearBoy

Re: new twin pedal: Roland GU-10, guzheng preamp

by **charmonder** » 29 Mar 2015, 15:13

my mistake, I saw it on the front page of effectsdatabase today, and being a boss pedal I'd never seen before, I figured it was the latest

charmonder

Re: new twin pedal: Roland GU-10, guzheng preamp

by **BearBoy** » 29 Mar 2015, 15:22

Haha. Makes you wonder though how many other China only or Japan only Roland/Boss pedals there might be.

BearBoy

Re: new twin pedal: Roland GU-10, guzheng preamp

by **Dirk** » 30 Mar 2015, 09:53

Never seen this one either, what does it do?
Make your guitar sound like one of those oriental instruments like in the picture?

The real crazy thing is, when you google it, it's almost non-existant.

Dirk

Re: new twin pedal: Roland GU-10, guzheng preamp

by **Pepe** » 30 Mar 2015, 10:47

It doesn't look like it's a simulation for guitar. It seems to do just what it says on the pedal: chorus or flanger plus octaver plus reverb. And with the two switches you can either turn on or off chorus (or flanger) or the octaver* effect. This harp-like instrument in the picture above is the "Guzheng", a traditional Chinese instrument. So it's nothing else than a small multi effects tool for the Chinese people. I wonder how good the sales are and if any of these have been distributed outside of China.

*and I bet that it's a pitch shifter with a fixed setting!

Pepe

Re: new twin pedal: Roland GU-10, guzheng preamp

by **skugga** » 30 Mar 2015, 12:08

> *Dirk wrote:*
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That's because you need to Baidu it instead. Plenty of results there...I just can't read them.

skugga

Re: new twin pedal: Roland GU-10, guzheng preamp

by **Boogieman** » 30 Mar 2015, 20:09

This pedal was introduced by Roland at Shanghai's "Music China" Expo (the Chinese equivalent of NAMM) in 2011. Like all traditional Chinese instruments, Guzheng is an acousic instrument, so a mic/pickup is required to use the GU-10. There are a few tradional Chinese instruments shops here in Hong Kong, but I have never seen this pedal. Probably a mainland China-only product, I reckon. I wonder how a guitar or bass would sound through it.

This is not Roland's first attempt to dabble into something exclusive for the Chinese market. They introduced the EH-10 pickup system for the Erhu (a 2-string bowed instrument), which was comissioned by the Bejing Olympics Committee. The sytem made its debut at the closing ceremony of the 2008 Bejing Olympics, subsequently available to the general mainland Chinese market. The current model is EH-10A.

The following is a video I found on YouTube, featuring an Erhu with the EH-10 system installed, accompanied by the Roland GW-8 Workstation keyboard:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7_r_M8NMaQc

Boogieman

Re: new twin pedal: Roland GU-10, guzheng preamp

by **charmonder** » 30 Mar 2015, 20:20

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> *Dirk wrote:*
> *The real crazy thing is, when you google it, it's almost non-existant.*

Yeah, even though this isn't designed for guitar, and I don't need it, as a boss fan I'm surprised how it slipped through the radar. I thought I knew every compact/twin pedal. Let's keep this thread (or another thread) going for any discoveries of rare obscure chinese Roland "Boss" pedals.

charmonder

Re: new twin pedal: Roland GU-10, guzheng preamp

by **DarrinPA** » 31 Mar 2015, 00:45

While looking for a price, I ran across the Amazon for China that shows more pictures but I can't figure out if the price is listed.

DarrinPA

Re: new twin pedal: Roland GU-10, guzheng preamp

by **Boogieman** » 31 Mar 2015, 01:19

It is listed as "currently out of stock. Order now and we will let you know by email when it is available."

Boogieman