

Subdecay Studios – Blackstar w/ Girth– BS3G

The Blackstar is hand made in Newberg, Oregon with high quality components. Thank you for purchasing The Subdecay Blackstar.

What is the Blackstar?

This stomp box is a high gain overdrive effect with controls tailored for use with many different guitars and amplifiers.

What is the difference between the old Blackstar and the new Blackstar?

The obvious difference externally is that one of the controls has changed. One of the drive knobs is gone, and has been replaced by a "girth" control. (we'll get to that later)

Internally the jfet gain stages were redesigned to reduce variances from pedal to pedal. The input stage is also jfet based, and has a much lower noise level than the original mosfet input.

The overall gain structure and control has been altered. Overall gain has been reduced slightly, but lower gain settings sound more musical, and higher gain settings are more consistent and controllable.

Controls:

Drive- Controls overall gain.

Level- Controls overall volume of the effect

Tone- Turned to the left high frequencies are attenuated. Turned to the right high end response increases with a slight "mid scoop".

Girth- Creates an effect of added cabinet resonance. (especially helpful for smaller or open back amplifiers)



Warranty:

Subdecay Studios offers a 3 year limited warranty from the purchase date to the original purchaser. This warranty does not cover misuse, or the neglect of the user. It also does not cover the finish, paint, or any exterior, or superficial damage. Any unauthorized repairs will void warranty. Subdecay Studios, Inc assumes NO LIABILITY for this product.



Battery:

To change the battery you must first remove the 4 rear screws and the rear cover. The battery should be placed next to the switch in the battery compartment. The battery should be able to slide in and out with out any friction. If the battery needs to be forced in to place, it could damage the pedal.

Battery Life When using a battery always unplug the instrument input to conserve battery life. When a cable is plugged in the pedal is always on, even when bypassed.

Power:

The Blackstar can be powered by a standard 9 volt battery, or by a dedicated Class II regulated 9 to 18 volt DC power supply with a negative center 2.1mm barrel type plug.

Current draw under normal operation is less than 10mA.

If using a "daisy chain" power supply all other units on the power supply MUST be negative ground.

Specifications:

Input impedance: 1M

Output Impedance: less than 50K depending on volume setting.

True Bypass.

Operation and Care:

Keep away from extreme heat, cold and moisture.

Use only a dry towel to clean.

No user serviceable parts. Contact Subdecay Studios, Inc. for repair or maintenance.

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