



collectorschoice

Collector's Choice guitars from Gibson Custom provide an opportunity for more players around the world to experience the precise look, feel and tone of some of the rarest guitars in history. When we recreate a specific vintage Gibson through hands-on access to it afforded by the generous soul that owns it today, we are able to capture and reproduce its every characteristic in amazing detail: its neck shape, tone, dish carve and wear just to name a few.

9-1945 aka "Nicky"

One of two of the first Collector's Choice guitars to be introduced with a fanatic attention to detail by way of Gibson Custom's most recent evolution, Collector's Choice #24 aka "Nicky" is as true to the original as one can come without being Charles Daughtry, "Nicky's" proud owner and the generous collector who worked with Gibson Custom side by side to recreate her to near perfection.

Beginning with the most accurate replica Les Paul plastics in the world, re-tooled to original Gibson specs from the 50's and reformulated through laboratory analysis of originals to match color and composition, Nicky's details are immense to a granular level: a hide glue top joins her body and top, a double carved hand-sanded top and neck recreate an accurate dish carve and neck profile, a hand filed rolled fingerboard binding provides a smooth vintage feel, a thinner peghead veneer made to the original 50's spec and a thinner, hand wet-sanded finish that adds hours of time and skill to every guitar, add up to a level of replication that borders on counterfeit.

"Nicky's" tone is both rich and brilliant with exceptional balance via two Custom Bucker pickups based on analysis of the originals, generously provided to Gibson Custom by Charles. As with all Collector's Choice guitars by Gibson Custom, "Nicky's" details were photographed, digitally scanned and documented by the Engineers and Craftspeople of Gibson Custom, which shows in every nuance of tone, feel and beauty captured in the recreation of this absolutely stunning example of an original 1959 'Burst.

Collector's Choice #24, the Charles Daughtry 1959 Les Paul, original serial #9-1945 aka "Nicky" is being offered in a limited run of up to 300, though qualifying materials will ultimately determine the number available.

Body	Unique Figured Maple Top, True Historic Carved Dish, Genuine 1 Piece Mahogany Back
Neck	1 Piece Genuine Mahogany with Maple Spline, True Historic Carve
Fingerboard	1 Piece Indian Rosewood
Inlay	Aged Cellulose Trapezoid
Nut	Nylon
Finish	Nicky Burst/Vintage
Tuners	Reissue Kluson Deluxe
Bridge & Tailpiece	ABR-1 with Thumbwheels & Lightweight Aluminum Tailpiece
Neck Pickup	Custom Bucker-Alnico 3
Bridge Pickup	Custom Bucker-Alnico 3
Headstock	Reissue Holly Head Veneer with Pearl Gibson Inlay
Hardware	Nickel
Plastics	True Historic Plastics
Knobs	True Historic Gold Top Hats
Collateral	Leather Bound Tri-Fold Certificate of Authenticity