





Spring Forward

SUPER-VEE MAVERICK TELECASTER TREMOLO SYSTEM By Eric Kirkland

IT'S NOT ENOUGH to challenge convention; you have to win over traditionalists too. Super-Vee did both when it perfected Leo Fender's tremolo system with its Bladerunner bridge, which replaces the original trem's notched-screw and knife-edge fulcrums with a tiny piece of finely engineered spring steel. In short order, Super-Vee's innovation was embraced by devotees of Fender's original design, including Eric Johnson, Peter Stroud, Eric Gales and Carl Verheyen.

Super-Vee's new Maverick bridge takes the same proven technology into uncharted territory, offering Telecaster players a traditionallooking bridge with the same flawless and responsive tremolo action that's favored by today's iconic Strat pros.

FEATURES Unlike Super-Vee's BladeRunner, the Maverick is not a drop-in replacement for your current Telecaster bridge. Super-Vee has taken this into consideration and offers a routing template, an online video tutorial and detailed instructions for the DIY crowd and will also be offering pre-routed, unfinished and finished Telecaster bodies. Telecaster

fans will also appreciate the Maverick's adherence to traditional Tele-bridge standards of appearance, utilizing a flat bridge plate and three vintage-style, Super-Vee V-Tone compensated brass saddles. These are a Super-Vee precision design for each string pair and intonate perfectly.

PERFORMANCE There's absolutely no wiggle in the Maverick's tremolo bar and no slop in the pivot action-the Maverick responds immediately to any movement of the stick. And it's just as accurate on pull-ups as it is with pitch dives, making pedal-steel licks sing like never before and opening new doors to Telecaster-applied technique. The extremely stable bridge stays in tune almost as well as a double-locking system, and there's no audible low-end warble, even when changing the pitch of full chords with open bass notes.

In addition to its superior tremolo performance, the Maverick has phenomenal tone. The energy-transferring spring steel provides a direct link between the two bridge plates and into the body, enhancing the guitar's overall resonance and sustain.



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THE BOTTOM LINE

For Fender fans who want it all, the Super-Vee's faultless Maverick tremolo finally makes it possible to combine the bootstompin' sound of a Telecaster with the pitch-shifting sass of a Stratocaster.