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## Advance Product Information

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### Epiphone Nighthawk Custom Reissue

**Update... Seymour Duncan to Support Epiphone Nighthawk with After-Market Pickups!** Legendary pickup maker Seymour Duncan will offer replacement, after-market pickups for Epiphone's new Nighthawk Custom Reissue guitar. Historically, guitarists had very few (if any) options when it came to replacement pickups for the Nighthawk's distinctive and unique "Slant NHT" 4-wire humbucker.

Seymour Duncan's after-market replacement pickups for the Nighthawk bridge position humbucker will come in two voicings.

- The '59 Model™ is Seymour Duncan's take on the legendary "Patent Applied For" humbucker. The output is vintage (8.13K Ohms D.C. Resistance) because its coils are wound with Plain Enamel wire on a vintage Leesona Model 102 winding machine. The tone is clear and crystalline and the '59 is great for all music styles.
- The JB Model™ is the world's most popular hot-rodded humbucker. Its powerful coil windings (16.4K Ohms D.C. Resistance) give it loads of power and make it a big step up from the '59 in terms of output. But unlike other high-output humbuckers, the JB retains its punchy upper-midrange detail. It's applicable for heavier music styles.

Expected availability for these Seymour Duncan pickups is March 2011. Seymour Duncan, as well as others, already offers an assortment of replacements for the Nighthawks neck and middle position pickups.

**The Return of a NEW Classic!** When a new guitar design is introduced, history says that guitarists often don't immediately accept it. Such was the case with many, now iconic guitars including the Flying-V, Explorer and even the Les Paul. But ultimately, if the design is a great one it will stand the test of time and eventually, find its place into the guitarist's arsenal of "go to" axes. When the Nighthawk was first introduced in 1993, it represented a departure from Gibson "tradition" with its 25.5" scale length and its versatile combination of coil-tappable humbucking and single pickups. Now, 18 years later, guitarists who originally dismissed the Nighthawk as too "different" now recognize what a great guitar it really was and is!



*Translucent Amber (TA)*

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**Great Tone Woods & Premium Construction!** The design of the Nighthawk is essentially a combination of a SG (lower bout and thinner body) and a Les Paul (upper bout). Like those classic guitars, it features a solid Mahogany body (with added "belly" scarf for comfort) and a glued-in SlimTaper(tm) Mahogany neck giving it a well rounded, warm tone with excellent sustain. To add brilliance as well as a smooth, durable playing surface, the Nighthawk Custom is fitted with an Ebony fingerboard. For even more tonal spice as well as killer looks, a AAA Flame Maple veneer is glued to the top. And don't forget, the Nighthawk bridge with it's "string-thru" body design ensures even more sustain and power.

**Versatility and Function!** With its unique pickup package that includes a full-size NHT humbucker (bridge), a NSX single-coil (middle) and a NHR mini-humbucker (neck) combined with a 5-way slider and push/pull coil-tapping tone knob, you have 9 different "tones" at your fingertips. From a powerful and warm humbucker to the unique clarity of a mini-HB to a thin, bright single-coil - and everything in-between - you can do it all.



*Translucent Black (TB)*

**Killer Looks & Premium Features!** Epiphone is known for making great, affordable instruments and the Nighthawk Custom is no exception. One of the first things you notice is the gorgeous Flame Maple top in rich, see-through finishes and the mother-of-pearl "crown" inlays on the fingerboard. Premium 14:1 ratio Grover(tm) machine heads make for excellent tuning accuracy and stability while Epiphone's heavy-duty output jack and long-lasting 1" potentiometers make for worry-free operation.



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### ***Fireburst (FB)***

**The Total Package!** Combined with Epiphone's Limited Lifetime Warranty backed by 24/7/365 Customer Service, you can rest assured that the Nighthawk Classic will give you years of worry-free performance. So if you missed out on the first Nighthawks because you thought they were a little too "different." now's your chance to redeem yourself and pick up this NEW classic for a great price!



### ***Homeyburst (HB)***

## **SPECIFICATIONS:**

**Model Name:** Epiphone Nighthawk Custom Reissue

**SKU:** EDNHxxNH1

**Colors:** FB, HB, TA, TB

**UPC's:** FB = 711106326061

HB = 711106326078

TA = 711106326085

TB = 711106326092

**Body Material:** Mahogany

**Top Material:** AAA Flame Maple Veneer

**Neck Material:** Mahogany

**Neck Shape:** SlimTaper™ ; D-shaped

**Neck Joint:** Glued-In

**Truss Rod:** Adjustable

**Scale Length:** 25.5"

**F'board Matl:** Ebony with mother-of-pearl "Crown" inlays

**F'board Rads:** 12"

**Frets:** 22; medium-jumbo

**Bridge Pickup:** Slant NHT™ Humbucker; 4-wire

**Middle Pickup:** NSX™ Single-Coil

**Neck Pickup:** NHR™ Mini-Humbucker; 4-wire

**Controls:** 5-Way Slider

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Master Tone with Push/Pull Coil Tapping

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| Pickup Selection Mode One [Double Coil/HB] |                        |               |                                |                |
|--|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
|  |                        |               |                                |                |
|  |                        |               |                                |                |
| 1 2 3 4 5                                  | 1 2 3 4 5              | 1 2 3 4 5     | 1 2 3 4 5                      | 1 2 3 4 5      |
| Bridge Humbucker                           | Bridge Single          | Middle Single | Middle Single / Neck Humbucker | Neck Humbucker |
| Pickup Selection Mode Two [Coil Tap]       |                        |               |                                |                |
|  |                        |               |                                |                |
|  |                        |               |                                |                |
| 1 2 3 4 5                                  | 1 2 3 4 5              | 1 2 3 4 5     | 1 2 3 4 5                      | 1 2 3 4 5      |
| Bridge Single                              | Bridge / Middle Single | Middle Single | Middle / Neck Single           | Neck Single    |

**Bridge:** Nighthawk fully-adjustable; String-Thru body

**Nut Width:** 1-11/16"

**Hardware:** Nickel

**Binding:** Body and Fingerboard

Grover™ 14: ratio

**Tuners:** User's Manual

**Includes:** Truss Rod Wrench

Economy Cord

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