

DIRECT DRIVE

The Compact Direct Drive was designed to impart a range of British overdrive and distortion sounds to clean and distorted amplifiers. This compact version of the Direct Drive includes low gain sounds from our popular Direct Drive LG, full stack sound of our Direct Drive and the modified sounds of our coveted Super Sport pedal.

The toggle switch on the left is the “harmonics switch”. This switch allows you to go from the lower harmonics (switched left) with clarity of “strings coming through”, to a higher-energy “power tubes running hot” tone (switched right). The high harmonics setting (switched right) also gives you a little more bite so you can make better use of your guitar’s tone control; back off a little on your instruments tone control and you get a nice fat & squawky lead tone reminiscent of the most expensive boutique tube amps.

The Right toggle is the “Gain Switch.” This switch goes from the med/high gain of our Direct Drive/Super-Sport pedal (switched left) to the low gain of our Direct Drive Low Gain (LG) pedal (switched right). Sometimes you can find very nice tones by setting the gain and harmonics high but setting the drive very low, counter-intuitive works for guitar!

The volume control sets the output of the pedal; most players can find unity between 10 o’ clock and 2 o’ clock, depending on their pickup output and the guitar’s volume setting.

The Tone control is a simple high-end roll-off. A good starting point for balanced sound is 2-3 o’ clock.

The Gain control sets the amount of sustain and drive. Lower setting give your guitar a nearly-clean gutsy-edge without losing the wound strings, rotate to the middle and you start cooking with a throaty grind, wind it all the way open and you are greeted with singing sustain and harmonics. Use the gain switch to take it over the top!

Make sure you use a **9-18 volt DC** adaptor, it ***must be negative tip*** (center) or damage will result.

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