



EVH® REVEALS ALL-NEW STRIPED SERIES FRANKIE MODEL, ALL-NEW WOLFGANG® WG STANDARD EXOTIC MODEL, UPGRADED WOLFGANG® WG STANDARD MODELS AND FRESH FINISHES FOR WOLFGANG® SPECIAL

Scottsdale, Ariz. (January 15, 2020) – EVH® is proud to reveal the all-new **Striped Series Frankie**, refreshed **Wolfgang® WG Standard** models including the all-new Wolfgang® WG Standard Exotic Spalted Maple and new colors for the **Wolfgang® Special**.

Widely regarded as the most recognizable electric guitar ever, Eddie Van Halen's iconic and revered **Frankenstein™** guitar has arrived with a price tag the everyday musician can afford in the form of the **Striped Series Frankie**.

Sporting Eddie's famed red with white-and-black-striped paint job and a worn-in reliced look, the all-new Frankie features a basswood Stratocaster®-style body paired to a graphite-reinforced quartersawn maple neck. An oiled finish on the back of the neck allows

for hours of playing comfort, while the 12"-16" compound radius maple fingerboard with 22 jumbo frets was designed for fast and furious playing styles.

Routed for an HSS pickup configuration just like Eddie's original instrument, the **Frankie** features an EVH Wolfgang® humbucking bridge pickup with a dummy Strat® neck pickup and a dummy five-way blade housed in the middle position.

A sturdy and dependable EVH-branded Floyd Rose® locking trem and Floyd Rose locking nut work in tandem for precise tuning even with extreme changes in pitch, while the EVH D-Tuna® retunes to drop-D and back with strict accuracy at the flick of a finger.

Other unique features of the **Frankie** include a white skirted Strat-style single volume control knob (labeled "tone"), custom black pickguard, reliced chrome hardware, standard strap buttons and EVH neck plate.

The **Wolfgang WG Standard** has been refreshed with **new colors and all-new baked maple necks and fingerboards**, while the WG Standard Exotic lineup welcomes the all-new **Wolfgang WG Standard Exotic Spalted Maple**.

Boasting the same style and massive sound Eddie Van Halen created with a price tag the everyday musician can afford, all **Wolfgang WG Standard** models offer a basswood body with special "comfort cut" forearm contour for maximum playing ease. The bolt-on baked maple neck with graphite reinforcement rods hold strong against the ravages of temperature and humidity, while a conveniently located spoke wheel at the base of the neck makes for quick and painless truss rod adjustments.

These stylish axes also feature an oiled finish on the back of the neck and a 12"-16" compound radius baked maple fingerboard with rolled edges, 22 jumbo frets and black dot inlays.

Dual EVH® Wolfgang humbucking pickups mounted directly to the body increase vibration transfer, resulting in sustain for days on end. Two domed control knobs have been dialed-in to Van Halen's exacting specifications—the smooth-feeling 500k pots make it easy to find a

unique sound while retaining the crisp high-end sparkle of the Wolfgang pickups. The EVH-branded Floyd Rose® Special bridge and R2 locking nut consistently keep the instrument in tune through the heaviest playing.

The **Wolfgang WG Standard** is now available in Gloss Black with a black headstock and black chrome hardware, as well as in Cream White, Matte Army Drab, Neon Orange, Quicksilver, Slime Green or Taxi Cab Yellow with a black headstock and black hardware.

Capped with an elegant quilt maple top and masked-off natural body binding, the **Wolfgang WG Standard QM** is available in Black Fade, Chlorine Burst, Northern Lights, Tahiti Night or Transparent Amber with a black headstock and black chrome hardware.

Featuring a spalted maple top and masked-off natural body binding, the **Wolfgang WG Standard Exotic Spalted Maple** is available in Natural with black headstock and black chrome hardware.

Designed with stunning style, giant sound and high-speed playability, the **Wolfgang Special** is now available in **Burgundy Mist Metallic**, **Deep Purple Metallic** or **Ice Blue Metallic** finishes with a matching headstock. The Burgundy Mist Metallic model features black body binding and black hardware, while the Deep Purple Metallic and Ice Blue Metallic models feature cream body binding and chrome hardware.

The **Wolfgang Special** features a basswood body with an arched top and a robust graphite-reinforced bolt-on quartersawn maple neck. The neck is carved and rolled to Eddie Van Halen's exacting specifications and features a hand-rubbed urethane finish on the back. Primed for high performance, energetic riffing and blazing leads, the 12"-16" compound radius ebony fingerboard has 22 jumbo frets and pearloid dot inlays. Truss rod adjustments have also never been easier thanks to a spoke wheel conveniently located at the base of the neck.

A pair of flagship custom designed black EVH® Wolfgang Alnico 2 humbucking pickups are mounted directly to the body, providing dynamic yet articulate voicing, as well as endless sustain for powerful chords and melody lines. A dependable EVH-branded Floyd Rose®

locking trem and Floyd Rose locking nut work in tandem for precise tuning even with extreme changes in pitch, while the EVH D-Tuna® retunes to drop-D and back with strict accuracy at the flick of a finger, with a low-friction volume control for smooth swells and a high-friction tone control that prevents accidental tone shifting.

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