

*Artist*<sup>®</sup>  
GUITARS

**AC20**  
**MANUAL**



# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- Read these instructions.
- Keep this instruction manual.
- Pay close attention to all the warnings.
- Follow all instructions.
- Do not use near water.
- Do not, under any circumstance, expose to any dripping or splashing liquid. Do not place items with liquids (such as vases, glasses or bottles of liquid) on top of the amp.
- Clean only with dry cloth.
- Do not block any ventilation openings.
- Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- Do not install near anything that produces heat. This includes things such as radiators, heaters, stoves and other amplifiers.
- Do not modify or change the AC plug. A grounding type plug has two blades and a third grounding prong. The third prong is provided for your safety. If the provided plug does not fit into your outlet, consult an electrician for replacement of the obsolete outlet.
- Do not allow the power cable to be bent, pinched, walked on, or put in any such place where damage may occur.
- Unplug the amplifier during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time.
- Contact manufacturer or authorized repair technician when servicing is needed. Servicing is required when the amplifier has been damaged in any way, such as power-supply cord or plug is damaged, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus, the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped.

- Excessive sound pressure from earphones and headphones can cause hearing loss.
- No naked flame sources, such as candles should be placed on or near the apparatus
- If needed, lift amplifier with care. Use a trolley as needed, but caution is advised to prevent the trolley tipping over.



**“TO COMPLETELY DISCONNECT THE AMPLIFIER FROM THE AC MAINS, DISCONNECT THE POWER SUPPLY CORD PLUG FROM THE AC WALL SOCKET”.**

**“WARNING: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS AMPLIFIER TO RAIN OR MOISTURE AND OBJECTS FILLED WITH LIQUIDS, SUCH AS VASES, SHOULD NOT BE PLACED ON THIS APPARATUS”.**



This symbol is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operation and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the appliance.



This symbol is intended to alert the user to the presence of uninsulated “dangerous voltage” within the product’s enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock to persons.

**WARNING:**  
TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK DO NOT EXPOSE THIS PRODUCT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.



**Notice regarding disposal (EU only)**

When this "crossed-out wheeled bin" symbol is displayed on the product, owner's manual, battery, or battery package, it signifies that when you wish to dispose of this product, manual, package or battery you must do so in an approved manner. Do not discard this product, manual, package or battery along with ordinary household waste. Disposing in the correct manner will prevent harm to human health and potential damage to the environment. Since the correct method of disposal will depend on the applicable laws and regulations in your locality, please contact your local administrative body for details. If the battery contains heavy metals in excess of the regulated amount, a chemical symbol is displayed below the "crossed-out wheeled bin" symbol on the battery or battery package.

# INTRODUCTION

Thanks for purchasing your new Artist AC20! This amplifier the perfect companion for the busking guitarist. Featuring a tilt back design, with built in chorus, its got everything you need from busking on the street to performing. Designed as a great but affordable acoustic busking amplifier by the team at Artist Guitars.

If you want to learn more about Artist Guitars, head to our website!

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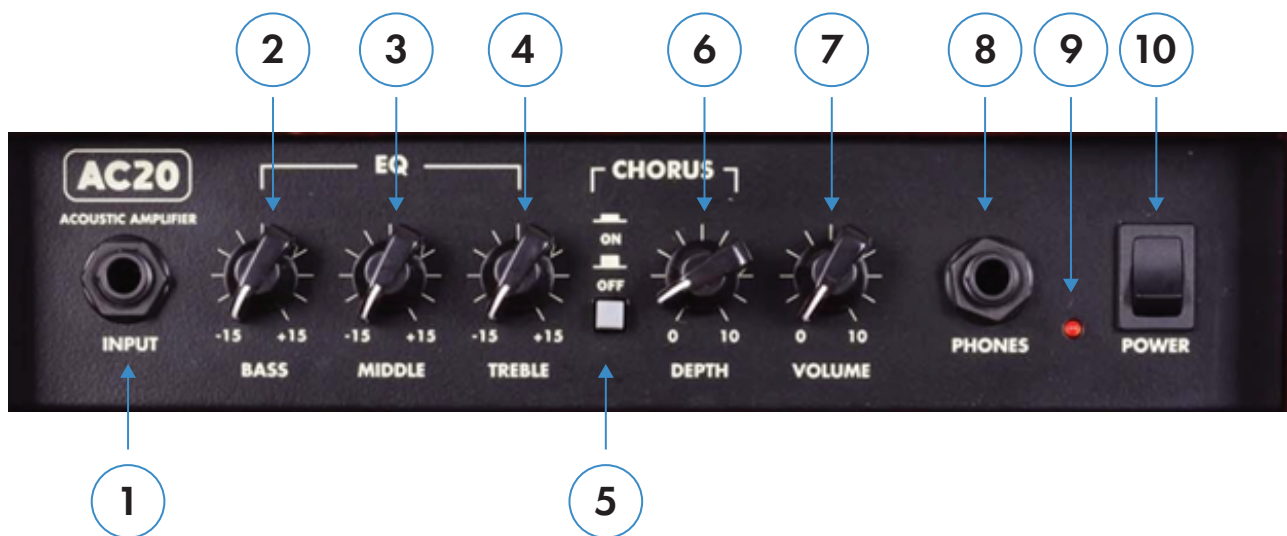
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# FEATURES

The Artist AC Series of Amplifiers is the very first series of acoustic guitar amplifiers made by Artist. It features an ergonomic tilt back design giving you a great tone but also a slick looking amplifier. Lightweight but Heavy on Tone, the AC series amplifiers are the perfect partners for the acoustic player. They also have a built in Chorus which can be activated with the push of a button.

The AC20 features 20 watts output RMS via a 6.5" High Performance Acoustic Speaker. It also comes with a 3 band EQ to give you our tone shaping needs. It also comes with a headphone output for silent practice. If you are looking for an acoustic guitar practice amp to bring to your lessons or rehearsals, the AC20 would be the perfect amplifier for you.

# FRONT PANEL



## 1. Guitar Input

This is where you plug in your guitar.

## 2. Bass EQ Control

Controls the low-end frequencies of the guitar tone. If you increase the bass by turning the knob clockwise, your guitar tone will sound full and boom-y. As you reduce the bass, by turning the knob anti-clockwise, the guitar tone becomes thinner, but also sharper and will cut through the mix.

## 3. Middle EQ Control

This knob controls the mid-range frequencies of the guitar tone. As it's turned clockwise to the right, the mids are boosted in volume. As it's turned to the left, the mid-range volume is lowered.

## 4. Treble EQ Control

This knob controls the amount of high frequencies in your guitar tone. As it's turned clockwise towards the right, the amount of treble will increase. As it's turned anti-clockwise to the left, the amount of treble will decrease.

## 5. **Chorus On/Off Switch**

This switch allows you to turn on and turn off the built-in Chorus effect. If the button is pushed in, it will turn on the Chorus. If it's not pushed in, the Chorus will be turned off.

## 6. **Chorus Depth Control**

This controls the depth of the chorus modulation effect. As the knob is turned clockwise, the depth increases, which results in a very noticeable chorusing effect.

## 7. **Master Volume Control**

This knob controls the output volume from the amplifier.

## 8. **Headphone Output**

This is where you can plug in a pair of headphones. You can use this to play quietly.

## 9. **Power Indicator Light**

This lights up to indicate that the amp is powered on.

## 10. **Power Switch**

This switch is used to turn the amplifier on and off.

# TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

**RMS Output:** 20 watts

**EQ:** Bass, Middle, Treble

**Chorus Control:** Depth

**Speakers:** 6.5 inch

**Design:** Tilt-Back

**Inputs:** 1/4 inch jack input, Headphone Input

**Power Plug:** (See our blog post for more details)

- **AU & NZ:** 240V with AU/NZ Plug
- **UK:** 230V with UK plug (with a fuse in the plug)
- **USA:** 120V with USA 3 pin plug



## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- This amplifier is designed for acoustic guitars and busking
- This amp does not have a microphone input.
- If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to reach out to us and we will do all we can to assist you.

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