



THE BEDELL REVERE SERIES WAS LOVINGLY HANDCRAFTED IN BEND, OREGON.





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### WELCOME TO THE BEDELL SEED-TO-SONG JOURNEY

I had a dream of creating the finest performance guitars possible... and that vision has come alive in the Revere series. As an extraordinary artist, you will cherish the Revere as your music collaborator; it is truly the Stradivarius of acoustic guitars. Elegantly presented, yet a tour warrior... your Revere is an instrument that, once experienced, will become woven into your artistic identity and you may find yourself hesitant to perform without it. I am delighted to present the Bedell Revere.

While designing the Bedell Revere, the beauty and tonal brilliance of the exotic tonewoods demanded my appreciation and respect. I realized that my calling was to make extraordinary acoustic guitars, crafted from the world's most precious tonewoods, in complete harmony with sustaining our forests and honoring the indigenous cultures and economies that live among them.

Whether or not the small quantity of tonewood sets we repurpose into Bedell guitars significantly impacts our forests and jungles, the choices we make at Bedell Guitars leave an imprint on our planet. These choices reflect who we are, what we stand for and underline the connection between the woods of our forests and our music. At Bedell Guitars we are committed to honoring this connection. No clear-cut trees will ever be used in a Bedell Guitar, all tonewood is sourced according to the rigorous Bedell Tonewood Certification Project standards, and every Bedell Revere is responsibly and lovingly crafted entirely in the U.S.

For the ultimate performer's guitar, naturally the back and side tonewood needed to be Brazilian rosewood – indisputably the

finest music wood nature has ever nurtured. But our commitment to only using tonewood legally and appropriately harvested required a worldwide search for Brazilian rosewood that also met all of the regulations allowing for the guitar to travel legally throughout the world. We needed to find a store of this precious wood that had been legally harvested before the Brazilian governmental restrictions in the late 1960's and thoughtfully stored in Europe before the 1992 CITES convention. We discovered only one such collection, which had been carefully stored and aged in a village just outside Madrid, Spain at Madinter.

The volume and the distinct articulation of each note of the Brazilian rosewood demanded it be paired with the power of Adirondack. There is magic that happens when Brazilian rosewood and Adirondack spruce are thoughtfully matched. We were able to work with John Griffin from Old Standard Wood to find perfectly quarter-sawn soundboards from individually harvested Adirondack spruce trees.

The next challenge in our journey was to find the perfect electronics package that projects the brilliant, powerful, clear sound of the instrument during performances. My sound engineer joined me on a road trip to visit K&K Sound in Coos Bay, Oregon. Here, overlooking the Pacific Ocean, we discovered the workshop that offers artists the premier performance pickup system, entirely designed, crafted and assembled in the U.S.A.

In this journal you will find the story and journey of your tonewoods, you will meet the craftspeople who created your



guitar, and you'll discover copies of all documentation and certifications we were able to gather about the provenance of your tonewoods, including all of the paperwork to confirm full CITES and Lacey Act compliance. We guarantee you can transport your Bedell Revere guitar anywhere in the world and our customer service concierge team looks forward to providing you assistance with travel permits.

I hope you enjoy experiencing the stories behind your Bedell Revere guitar and the tale of the woods and their journey from seed... to song. Your Revere is the ultimate performers' instrument. It was designed to flawlessly compliment and expand your artistry, to enhance the boundaries of your music and to become a part of who you are...

Peace,

Tom Bedell

Tom Badell

**THE BEDELL REVERE** pairs naturally seasoned Brazilian rosewood and hand-selected Adirondack spruce for the ultimate in projection, articulation, and balance. A handcrafted koa inlay accents the three-piece Brazilian back from rosewood trees that were acquired by our wood partner in Spain over 50 years ago and aged in an ideal climate in Spain.

To enable the legacy sound of Revere, each perfectly cured rosewood back-and-side set is paired with the stiffest Adirondack soundboards in order to allow as thin and light a top as possible for maximum responsiveness. Together they offer the artist incredible opportunities for powerful, nuanced expression.

To support the special alchemy that happens between a performer and our Brazilian rosewood and Adirondack spruce acoustic guitar, the electronics are a critical component. The purity of sound and expressiveness offered by the Revere series instruments require reverence for authentic tone – nothing can be lost in the amplification process.

The Revere is equipped with the PowerMix Pure XT system from K&K Sound: an electronics package that has earned the respect of players worldwide, and offers the purest sound possible. All K&K systems are manufactured and hand assembled by K&K in Coos Bay, on the rugged and beautiful Oregon coast.

The K&K system has three components: the bridge plate transducers, the under-saddle piezo and the external preamp. The game-changer is found in the bridge-plate pickup, the Pure Mini system. This component is sculpted artfully, much like the braces inside each Revere are hand-sculpted, to remove any additional material and make it as light as possible, so the pickup itself resonates with the tonewoods of the guitar, working in harmony with the acoustics and the vibrational dynamics. The external preamp preserves the integrity of the guitar's sound chamber, and as Dieter Kaudel, owner of K&K says, "It's like having a two-channel mixing board clipped to your belt." The preamp gives the player sound control at their fingertips so they can balance the attack (from the under-saddle pickup), with the release, or the sound as it resonates inside the body (from the Pure Mini pickup).

The Revere series has it all – everything the most gifted performer could want in a guitar: a rich and soulful sense of history, the legacy of legendary tonewoods, world-class craftsmanship, and no-expense-spared appointments, all made in the U.S.A.

Tom Bedell designed the Revere series guitars for one reason and one reason only: To offer the world's most talented musicians the finest instruments possible made from ethically sourced heritage tonewoods, and to inspire and illuminate the music they were born to create.





## **SPECIFICATIONS**

BODY SHAPES	Dreadnought, Orchestra, Parlor
TOP WOOD	Adirondack spruce
BODY WOOD	Brazilian rosewood
NECK	Honduran mahogany
FRETBOARD	Ebony
BINDING	Flamed koa
FINISH	Nitrocellulose gloss, with "aged" toner
SCALE LENGTH	Dreadnought and Orchestra: 25 1/2" Parlor: 25", 12 frets to body
NUT WIDTH	1 11/16"
INLAY	Green abalone, 3-piece blocks
TUNERS	Waverly, nickel with ebony buttons
NUT/SADDLE	Bone
ELECTRONICS	K&K PowerMix Pure XT
CASE	SKB iSeries travel case

### THE BEDELL REVERE SERIES

There is a moment when artistic alchemy blossoms between a passionate musician and their instrument – when a gifted performer connects with an exquisite instrument that enriches their intent, their passion, their poetry, and the two together become more... There are few instruments more suited for producing this magic than the acoustic guitar.

It's no wonder that the Brazilian-Adirondack pairing in an acoustic guitar is rarely equaled. Of all the tonewood combinations, these two special woods give the performing artist the purest voice possible. The power and responsiveness of Brazilian rosewood enables artists to run the whole range of tone, offering an incredibly expressive range, from a whisper to a scream.

Let's walk back through history a bit and follow the path of these two tonewoods on their journey to becoming the tonewood combination for artistic self-expression in acoustic guitars.

The genesis of the Revere originates over five centuries ago on two different continents. In the 1500s and 1600s, European colonization brought two exquisite woods to the world market: Brazilian rosewood from South America and Adirondack spruce (also known as red spruce) from North America.

It is possible that these two woods, which grew over 4,000 miles apart, were used in the early guitar-like instruments played in American drawing rooms during the 1600s and 1700s. These small parlor guitars typically featured gut strings in five courses, tied-on frets also made of gut string, and intricately cut paper in many layers adorning the sound hole.

During the American Revolution in the late 1700s, the dainty five-course stringed instrument began to give way to the similarly petite six-course guitar with single strings and metal frets. With independence secured, in the 1800s Americans began to move westward and they took their instruments with them, but even with six strings and metal frets, the delicate parlor

instruments were not particularly suited for the trailblazing, cowboy life of the Wild West.

While Lewis and Clark were exploring and charting the Northwest in the early 1800s, both Brazilian rosewood and Adirondack spruce would have been available to the luthiers and craftsmen of America (Brazilian rosewood could be transported by land through Central America, and Adirondack spruce was plentiful in the Northeastern U.S.). Perhaps the most famous luthier of the time was German immigrant C. F. Martin who arrived on the East Coast in the early 1830s. One of the earliest documented examples of a Brazilian-Adirondack guitar is a Martin 12-fret-to-body Hudson Street Viennese-style guitar, dated at 1837. It's interesting to note that in the 1850s, Martin began experimenting with X-bracing, and this sturdier bracing made it possible for the guitar to support the extra tension of steel strings many decades later.

It was also during the 1800s that two distinctive forms of American music became vehicles for very personal storytelling and self-expression: cowboy (or western) music and the blues. While both styles were very local (and portable – thus the prevalence of the guitar as the primary accompaniment), these two genres of music would help birth the overwhelming popularity of the guitar in America, and would establish the place of the guitar as an essential partner in personal musical expression for decades to come.

As the century turned in the early 1900s, rosewood and spruce had become one of the most desirable pairings for American guitars. The 1912 Sears catalog offered entry-level guitars for \$3.95 – equivalent to about \$95.00 today – with an "imitation rosewood" body and a spruce top. For the equivalent of almost \$500 today (twenty bucks back then), you could order the most expensive model in the catalog: The Vassar, which featured genuine rosewood back and sides and a spruce top. The Vassar's tone was described as "sweet and powerful and harplike in quality."



After World War I, radio and recording devices brought cowboy music and the blues to a much larger audience and made stars of these performers at a time when Americans suddenly had more leisure time, additional disposable income and a craving for home-grown heroes. Radio and records helped democratize the guitar, taking it from the parlors and drawing rooms of the privileged few and bringing it to saloons, barber shops, barns, back porches, and the wide-open range... and as a result, the guitar was forced to evolve into a hardier instrument in both function and form.

As rural communities formed, friends and families gathered to play and dance, and guitars were strummed in ensembles with fiddles and banjos. As musicians began to push their guitars, they needed more volume to be heard above other instruments, and they needed a wide dynamic range, to tell their stories and to entertain. There was no better wood pairing for these purposes than Brazilian rosewood and Adirondack spruce.

Now the guitar just needed more volume and additional control, and as a result, steel string acoustic guitars began showing up on the scene – in 1922, Martin Guitars offered their first steel-string production model. Steel string guitars provided the volume players were seeking, but the strings were also cheaper than gut strings, since they were easily manufactured with the same machinery used to produce fencing materials for pioneers.

By the 1930s, Django Reinhardt was recording and performing in Paris and Robert Johnson was playing on street corners and in juke joints along the Mississippi Delta, and the guitar was settling into the form we know today. Steel strings were standard, and amplification was just around the corner. During this golden era of guitar building, the larger body size and other engineering improvements combined with the magical tonewood pairing of Brazilian rosewood and Adirondack spruce to produce and define a language of sound that we now instantly identify with the modern guitar.

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## **TOP WOOD**

### ADIRONDACK SPRUCE

WOOD	Adirondack spruce, also known as red spruce, has been the choice of bluegrass pickers for decades, and adds power to any guitar design. It is relatively heavy, with a high velocity of sound, and is the stiffest of all top woods across and along the grain.
BOTANICAL NAME	Picea rubens
ORIGIN	Eastern North America, ranging from eastern Quebec to Nova Scotia, and from New England south into the Adirondack Mountains and Appalachians to western North Carolina.
TONAL QUALITIES	Has higher resonance and more complex overtones than Sitka, and provides strong volume and pronounced individual note clarity with vintage sound. Responsive whether played softly or loudly, Adirondack is well suited for fingerstyle, flatpicking, or rhythm playing.
AESTHETICS	Straight uniform grain. Coloration ranges from white to pink to light brown.

The Revere soundboards are crafted from 200-year-old Adirondack spruce trees. The tree that lives on in your guitar top was still a tender sapling when our nation was in its infancy, while James Madison was succeeding Thomas Jefferson as our fourth President.

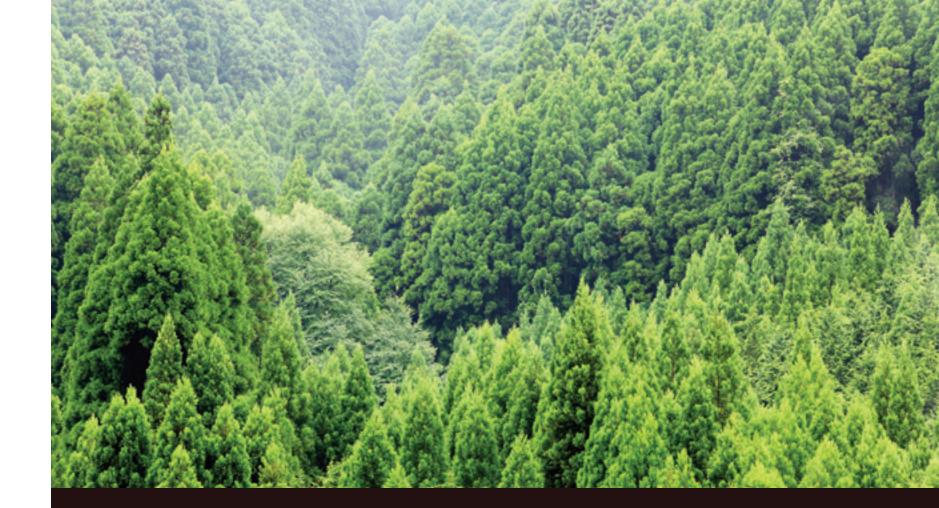
As our founding fathers were carving out American independence, this tree sprouted from a pinecone on the forest floor of the Adirondack Mountains in upstate New York. For nearly a hundred years, while the Civil War was fought and as ragtime and the blues were born, this lone spruce tree grew slowly, in the shady shelter of the forest, among moose, porcupine, black bears and songbirds, competing for water and minerals with surrounding hardwood trees like maple, oak and cherry.

Then, just as Louis Armstrong was just entering his teen years and as women were crusading for the right to vote, the spruce had grown tall enough to peek out above the deciduous canopy; suddenly it was a whole new world for the young spruce.

During the fateful months in 1914 when the German army invaded Belgium en route to France, the spruce basked peacefully in newfound sunlight. It flourished and grew rapidly for the next several decades while Irving Berlin, Cole Porter and Ira Gershwin were writing the great American songbook in Tin Pan Alley, then as our country waged another war, and it kept on growing through the upheaval and promise of the Age of Aquarius. This spruce was a quiet spectator of the American moon landing, its branches reaching for the stars. And it grew and grew while we lost John Lennon and the Berlin Wall fell, as

Apartheid ended and Mandela was released, and kept growing as the Internet was born, and then the iPod and Facebook. Standing tall while the world marched forward, towering over the humble leafy trees below, the spruce's growth would eventually leave it unprotected and vulnerable to wind and weather. By the late 2000s, this tree that lived quietly as the world changed around it was nearing the end of its journey. Age and the elements began to take their toll.

The Adirondack spruce was nearing an ignoble end - the point where it might blow over or begin to rot from the inside out and become a feast for the bugs of the forest - but before it could topple, John Griffin of Old Standard Wood discovered this majestic tree and rescued it. John and his crew carefully fell the tree that was clearly at the end of its lifecycle, using the directional fall method to ensure no other plant life was harmed in the process. They cut the felled tree into sections and loaded it onto a small all-terrain tractor, called a Forwarder, which was equipped with a hydraulic arm and floatation tires (tires designed to be gentle on saplings and other delicate fauna). The Forwarder delivered its precious cargo to a truck John had waiting. After being treated to ward off bugs and decay, over the next week, the tree would be a passenger as John made his way back from New York to Missouri, visiting friends and colleagues along the way. Once back at John's shop, the tree was opened up and the section that would eventually become the Revere soundboards was unveiled. After cutting, the soundboards were left to air dry for a minimum of six months before making their way to Bend, Oregon and into the hands of the talented luthiers at Bedell Guitars.



### **CONSERVATION OF ADIRONDACK SPRUCE**

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Adirondack spruce, picea rubens, is suffering some decline, particularly at higher elevations and forestry experts believe air pollution may be a key factor. Minor declines in lower elevation populations have been detected, possibly due to ozone exposure. Picea rubens is listed as an endangered species by the state of New Jersey, and as a "special concern" species by the state of Connecticut.

### To learn more about the status of North American fir-spruce forests, visit:

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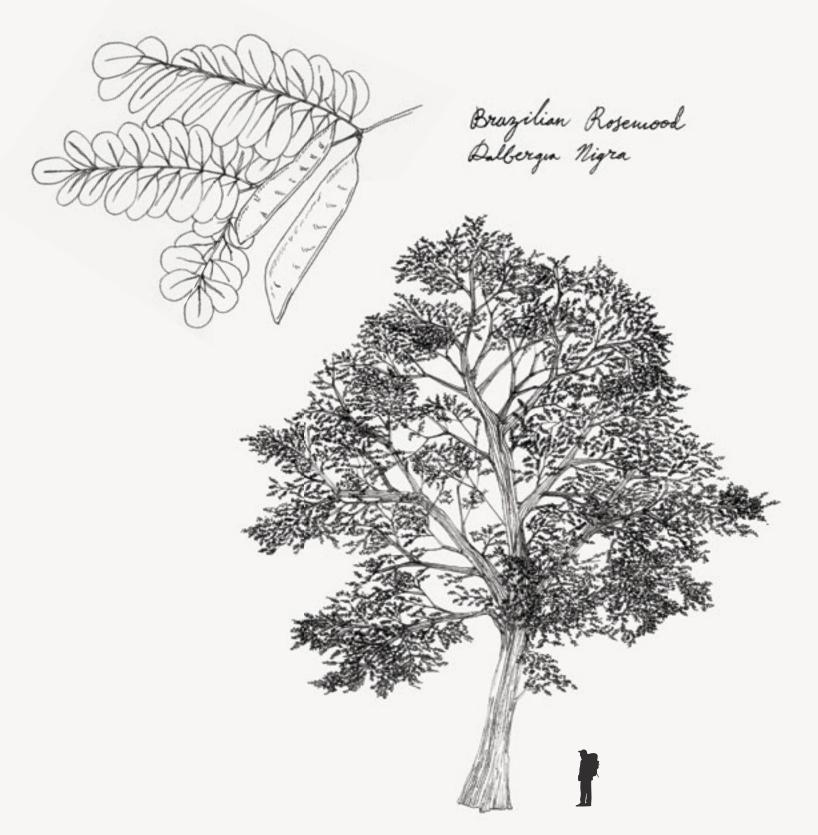
### Take Action:

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## BACK & SIDE WOOD

BRAZILIAN ROSEWOOD

WOOD	Brazilian rosewood is highly desirable, exceptionally rare and heavily regulated. It is regarded as one of the finest tonewoods: hard, stiff, and highly resonant with a glass-like ring that sustains. It has a floral scent, similar to roses, thus the name.
BOTANICAL NAME	Dalbergia nigra
ORIGIN	The Atlantic coastal forests of Brazil, in the states of Bahia, Minas Gerais, Espirito Santo, Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo.
TONAL QUALITIES	Brazilian rosewood produces a loud, warm, rich tone, with full deep bases, brilliant trebles, and is known for exceptional sustain and clarity.
AESTHETICS	Can vary from brick red and burnt orange to shades of dark brown and violet color with black spidery streaks. It can exhibit straight grain and homogeneous color or wild landscape-like figure, often compared to spider webbing.



The journey of the trees that grace the back and sides of the Bedell Revere guitars began hundreds of years ago in the lush rainforest of Brazil's Atlantic coast, but we pick up their tale in the early 1960s. Around the time Peter, Paul and Mary were recording "Puff the Magic Dragon," a precious stash of Brazilian rosewood was ferried north, across the tumultuous waters of the Atlantic sea, from South America, destined for Spain. This shipment of Brazilian rosewood, simply called "rio" by the Spanish, contained trees that had been hand-selected by Francisco Sanchez Sese, a highly regarded woodworker dedicated to crafting exquisite furniture for churches and restoring religious monuments and structures. Francisco's "rio" logs arrived safely in Spain and were transferred to his warehouse, tucked in a fertile glen just outside Madrid.

Back in America, the Beatles arrived, and Bob Dylan and Pete Seeger were igniting the sparks that would become the folk-rock explosion. Meanwhile, Francisco was fastidiously cataloging, milling and storing his rosewood treasure, unaware of just how valuable and special his collection would become; history was about to make Brazilian rosewood the stuff of legend.

In the late '60s Brazil banned the export of all Brazilian rosewood logs. At that time, it was still legal to sell "rio" in Spain, but Francisco held on to his prized collection, allowing it to air dry for decades. In 1985, Francisco's son, Miguel Angel Sanchez Senovilla, the owner of Madinter, inherited his father's impressive collection, but he had no interest in selling either, since he had his own plans for the wood – he intended to use the "rio," not for furniture or historic renovations, but for fine instruments.

In 1992, the international community enacted the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) act, which declared Brazilian rosewood to be an endangered species, in the same category as ivory, and, therefore, illegal to import, export or sell within any of the 180 member countries.

During the 1990s, with the value of his father's collection increasing with every passing year, back in Spain, Miguel began

cutting the inherited "rio" logs into tonewood sets, intending to use them someday for his own line of guitars.

In 2002, before Miguel could begin crafting his own line of instruments, the Spanish government froze the Brazilian rosewood inventory held by all Spanish companies, and prohibited the use or export of "rio" until each and every piece of Brazilian in Spain could be examined and verified to have been legally imported into Spain prior to 1992. At that time, Miguel had what was quite possibly the world's largest collection of Brazilian rosewood tonewood sets, and the entire collection was corded off and it sat untouched in the Madinter warehouse until the Spanish government could clear their inventory. Once again, fortune favored these rare and valuable sets, since there was no better place for the exotic wood to be stored – meadows and streams surround the Madinter warehouse, and the location, just outside of Madrid, is blessed with a mild climate, ideal for storing and drying precious tonewoods.

In 2010, after years of delay, the Spanish government completed their audit of Madinter's "rio" and granted the company permission to sell and export their Brazilian inventory, confirming its legality and CITES compliance. In January 2013, Bedell Guitars contacted Miguel's staff at Madinter and inquired about purchasing their collection. Shortly thereafter, Angela Christensen, brand manager for Bedell Guitars, and her husband, Jesse, traveled to Madrid to audit the Brazilian collection. On the second day, Angela emailed Tom Bedell, "We have to acquire this Brazilian rosewood. It is magical." A month later Tom traveled to Europe to meet with Luisa Willsher and Jorge Simons of Madinter, and they reached an agreement.

In mid-2013, after all CITES and export permits were secured, once again Francisco's rosewood was taken on another journey across the land and sea – from Spain, to Bend, Oregon. Luisa and Jorge met the shipment in Bend to help the Bedell Wood Team unpack, classify and catalog the entire collection as it was added to the Bedell Wood Library.

### CONSERVATION OF BRAZIL'S ATLANTIC FOREST

### HOW YOU CAN HELP

The Atlantic Forest of Brazil (also known as the Mata Atlântica or the Atlantic Rainforest) is critically threatened. More than 85% of the original forest has been destroyed, however Mata Atlântica still remains one of the richest, most biologically diverse forests, and is home to a large number of species that can be found nowhere else on the planet. Major threats to Mata Atlântica include illegal logging, conversion of forestland to agricultural uses, and urban and suburban development. Brazil's eastern seaboard is home to 70% of Brazil's population, so the fate of the forest flora and fauna is interwoven with economic wellbeing of the local population. Currently, less than 2% of the whole biome is under protected status.

### To learn more about the status of the Atlantic Forests, visit:

nature.org/ourinitiatives/regions/southamerica/brazil/placesweprotect/atlantic-forest.xml
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### Take Action:

adopt.nature.org/plantabillion/brazil worldlandtrust.org/projects/brazil

The penultimate performer's guitars, Bedell Revere series instruments are breathtakingly beautiful and tonally exquisite, and they're also a gift from the past. Crafted from fully documented, legal Brazilian, the Bedell Revere models will only increase in value over the years to come. The Revere models

are among the few extraordinary instruments that have been crafted from Brazilian rosewood that was legally harvested, carefully stored, thoughtfully aged, legally transported and magnificently crafted into the ultimate guitars for the world's premier musicians.

### **BRAZILIAN ROSEWOOD**

TIMELINE

An endangered and carefully protected species, Brazilian rose-wood (dalbergia nigra) is the most precious of tonewoods. It is highly regarded among luthiers and collectors for its magical tonal character and deep, rich beauty – and it is vigorously regulated; it is protected with the same level of regulation as ivory. Below is the timeline for Brazilian regulation and the specific Brazilian tonewood sets found in these twelve Bedell Revere limited edition guitars.

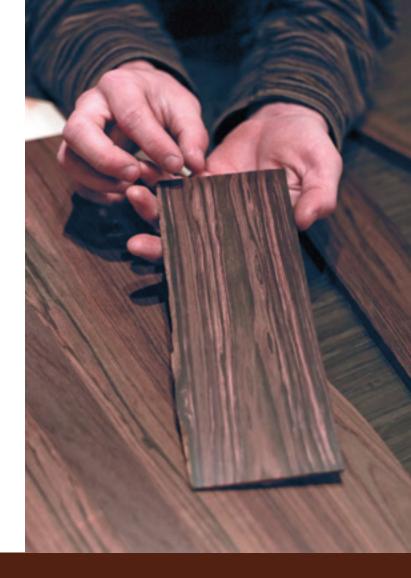
The Bedell Revere not only celebrates the dawn of a new time in America, but also the era when Brazil – recognizing the value of its rosewood trees – outlawed the exportation of Brazilian rosewood logs. When Brazil enacted the ban in the late

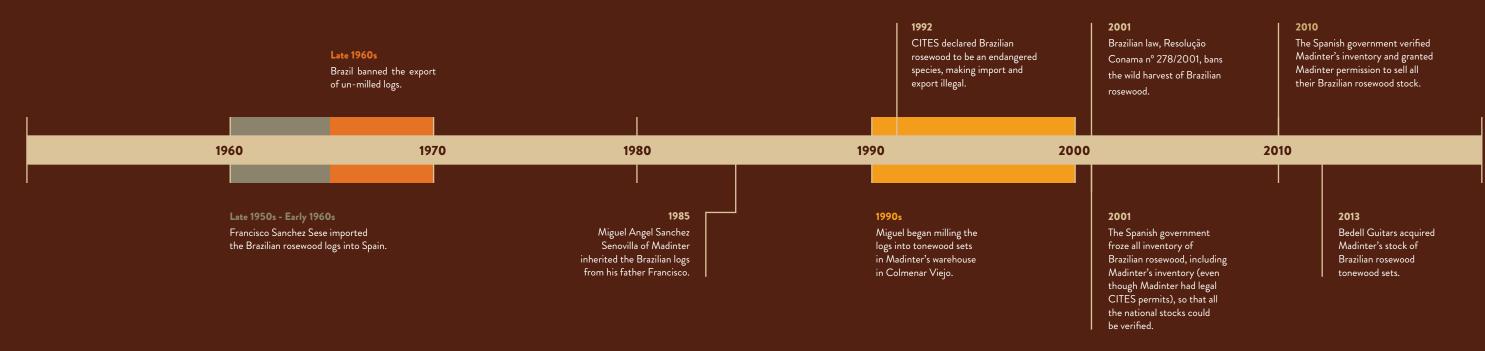
'60s, it was a blow to luthiers and guitar manufacturers world-wide, since it was widely believed that there was no better combination for acoustic guitars than Brazilian rosewood paired with spruce. From that point onward, fewer and fewer players would have the chance to own a Brazilian rosewood guitar, and most would have to settle for other rosewood substitutes... and if you've ever played an acoustic guitar crafted from Brazilian rosewood, you know there is no substitute.

In June of 1992, dalbergia nigra was listed in Appendix I of CITES as an endangered species, preventing the import and export of the precious tonewood within 180 member nations, including all of Europe. Fortunately, years before the '60s

Brazilian ban and decades before CITES, the trees that live again in the magnificent Revere guitars were already safely resting and patiently aging in Spain.

In May of 2001, Brazilian law made it illegal to harvest Brazilian rosewood in the wild, effectively limiting the supply of "rio" to existing stocks. And since import and export of the wood is severely restricted by the 1992 CITES convention, it is incredibly difficult to find pre-Convention Brazilian rosewood for acoustic instruments, allowing for travel across international borders. As a result of these rigorous regulations, when the existing finite and scarce Brazilian tonewood supply is exhausted... the "rio" is gone forever.





## **NECK WOOD**

### HONDURAN MAHOGANY

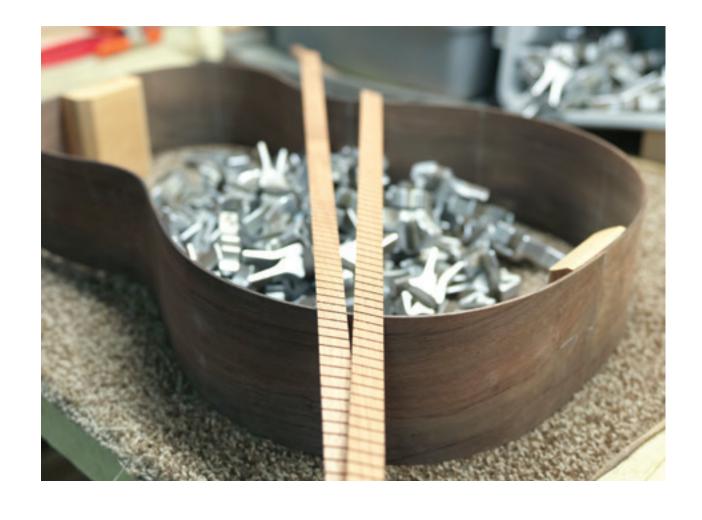
WOOD	<b>Mahogany</b> is a medium-lightweight wood, ranging in color from light brown to dark, primarily used for necks because of the feel and the stability it provides.
BOTANICAL NAME	Swietenia macrophylla
ORIGIN	Mexico to southern Amazonia in Brazil
AESTHETICS	Ranging from light brown to reddish brown in color, with an open pore structure.

The Honduran mahogany used for the neck of the Bedell Revere was selectively harvested in Guatemala in 2011, and was then warehoused in a humidity- and temperature-controlled climate in Central Oregon, waiting for a guitar special enough to warrant this beautiful, hardy neck wood.



THE BUILD





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RIM PREPPED AND READY FOR KERFING

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SIDES BEING PREPPED BEFORE GOING TO THE BENDER







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FINISH QUALITY CHECK

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A COMPLETED REVERE ORCHESTRA



The Craftspeople



### ASHTON SIMMS WOOD SELECTION

Growing up in Sisters, Oregon, Ashton was constantly exploring the outdoors, but when he was at home, one beautiful sound permeated his childhood: His mother's singing. He started playing drums at age five and built his first guitar in high school. After graduating from Sisters High School, Ashton spent time in Belize and Ukraine volunteering for orphanages and impoverished communities.

Ashton receives and processes all raw wood for Bedell Guitars. He crafts parts and then lays out sets, matches them and then assembles the components for each and every guitar. Ashton has an innate ability to "read" wood. He can look at a billet or a piece of raw wood and can visualize what is most likely inside. He loves lining up grain lines and figure for Bedell tonewood sets. He has a deep respect for the wood he works with and takes great pride in the part he plays in the seed-to-song story of each instrument.

In his spare time, Ashton plays music, makes jewelry, cooks, hangs out with friends, visits breweries, snowboards, hikes, camps, rock climbs, swims, wakeboards and plays lacrosse, but he especially enjoys playing his drums outside in the Central Oregon sunshine.

#### **FAVORITE OUTDOOR ACTIVITY:**

Music festivals.

### PREFERRED MODE OF TRANSPORTATION:

'68 Rogue Rambler.

### FAVORITE TONEWOOD:

Sinker redwood – it's a fragile and colorful top wood. If you work with it carefully, it becomes an incredibly vibrant top.

### BEST LIVE SHOW YOU'VE EVER SEEN:

A Day to Remember at Warped Tour 2010.

#### DO YOU COLLECT ANYTHING?

Instruments.

### FAVORITE ADULT BEVERAGE:

Whiskey ginger (with real ginger beer, not ginger ale).

### YOUR SUPERPOWER:

Love.

### YEAR YOU WOULD VISIT IF YOU HAD A TIME MACHINE?

The future – it's the only place to go.

### JAKE SPECE LEAD CRAFTSMAN

Before Jake was promoted to lead craftsman, he worked in the body department, and he still holds the shop record for the most bodies assembled by one person. Before he started building guitars, Jake worked as a short-order cook. His experience in the kitchen was the ideal training ground for the intensity of the production environment; he learned how to work hard and remain cool under pressure. As a guitar player, he has a deep appreciation for both the beauty and tonal properties of the exquisite tonewoods in the Bedell Wood Library.

A Central Oregon native, Jake is the son of a welder and a piano player and the grandson of a mandolin player – he has music and craftsmanship in his blood. Jake's dad taught him to weld at the tender age of seven. When he was fourteen, Jake saved enough money moving pipe to buy a guitar from the local pawn shop; he learned five chords from a library book, and formed a band called The Kronk Men with two friends. They've been playing together since 1998. Jake can't believe it's been fifteen years. He said, "It's like we're the Rolling Stones of Central Oregon." He plays with The Kronk Men around Bend regularly and is known for his unconventional playing style. When not building bodies for Bedell, or shredding on stage, Jake spends his time taking care of his family, skateboarding, and hanging out with his rad dog, Rudy.

### BIGGEST MUSICAL INFLUENCE:

Latin Beats, post-punk.

### FIRST ALBUM YOU BOUGHT AS A KID:

Nirvana, "In Utero."

### BEST LIVE SHOW YOU'VE SEEN:

Nick Cave, 2009, Crystal Ballroom, Portland, Oregon.

### **FAVORITE SOUND:**

Reverb-drenched electric guitar.

### WHAT DO YOU COLLECT?

Guitar effects boxes.

### FAVORITE ADULT BEVERAGE:

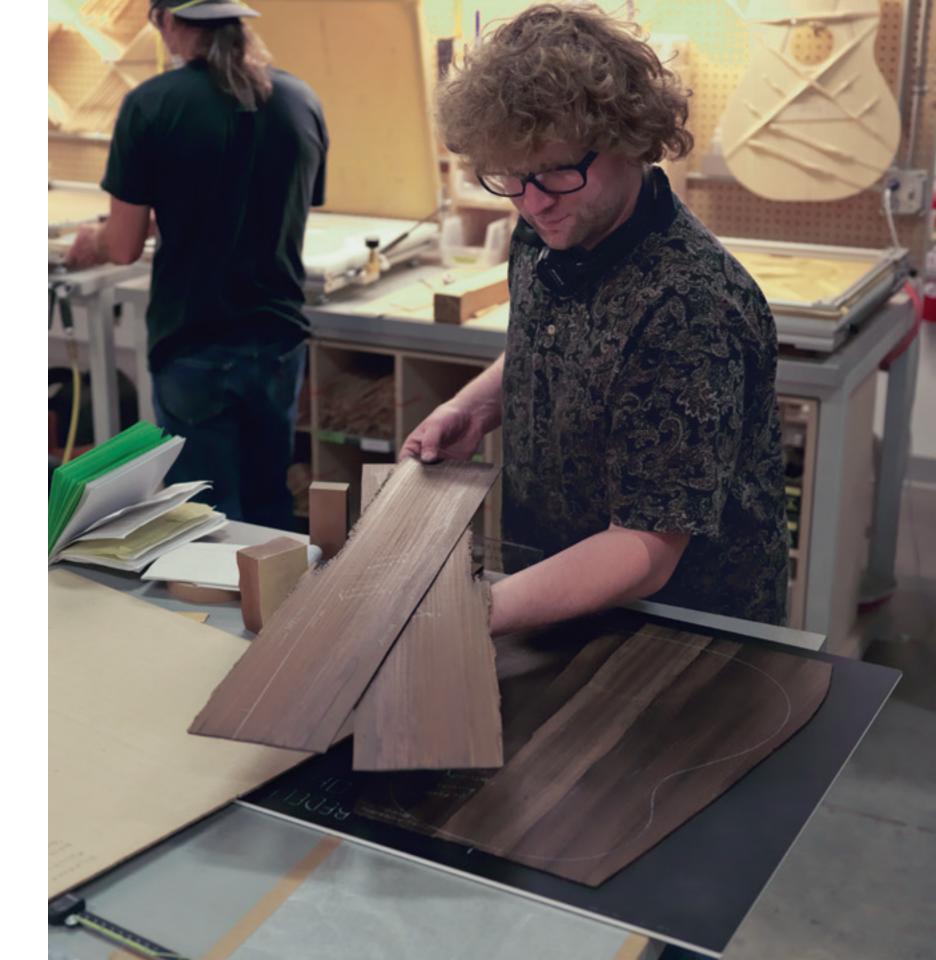
Maker's Mark.

### **FAVORITE BANDS AT THE MOMENT:**

T-Rex, Jesus Lizard, Daughters.

### PERSONAL HEROES?

Dad, Mom, and Jimi Hendrix.





### JUSTIN FRANCIS NECKS

Justin Francis is a musician, a skilled woodworker, a retired professional snowboarder, and an avid fly fisherman. He has an eye for immaculate detail, and enjoys immersing himself in the minute detail and technical perfection required of all Bedell craftsman. On any given day, you'll find Justin in the workshop hand shaping, dovetailing, wood binding, hand finishing and meticulously executing every other detail that goes into completing Bedell guitar necks.

Born in Humboldt County, California, Justin's family moved to Bend when he was nine years old and Justin has lived in Oregon ever since. The Francis family is full of talented musicians, so Justin's passion for music and musical instruments is practically coded in his DNA. Justin grew up playing sax in the school band and he currently plays guitar (and drums, on occasion).

Justin's favorite wood in the Bedell Wood Library is Brazilian rosewood, because every single set is different from the last, and because, as he says, "The grain orientation is incredible, it's definitely not a boring wood, though Ziricote is a close second choice because it has crazy three-dimensional figure, the figure pops so much it doesn't even look like wood." Justin believes in Bedell's sustainability mission because he wants to ensure that these beautiful exotic woods are around for the next generation.

### YOUR ONE OBSESSION IN LIFE:

Fly fishing.

### MOVIE YOU COULD WATCH OVER & OVER:

Super Troopers.

### BEST LIVE SHOW YOU'VE EVER SEEN?

U2, Rose Garden, Portland, Oregon.

### **FAVORITE SOUND IN THE WORLD:**

Running water.

### FAVORITE ADULT BEVERAGE:

Rum and Coke with lime.

### YOUR SUPERPOWER:

The Kavorka.

### YOUR KRYPTONITE:

The Kavorka.

### DREAM VACATION:

Tarpon fishing the flats.

### JASON CHINCHEN INLAY

Walk into the inlay room at the Bedell workshop and, invariably, you'll be greeted by a big, happy smile from Jason Chinchen. Jason is a man who loves his work, and for good reason. His talents and skill are perfectly suited for the demanding position of Bedell inlay artist.

Jason spends his days at Bedell immersed in art – conceptualizing, designing, and then cutting and fitting the tiniest pieces of precious materials into the fretboard, peghead, and soundboard of Bedell guitars. Jason is well versed in various artistic mediums, but inlay is where he truly shines. He has an innate feel for "painting" with the materials, for using flash to create shadow and light. Jason finds creative inspiration in both the past and the present – in the tried and true aesthetics found in classical art and Art Nouveaux, as well as beauty found in the organic, natural world.

As an avid outdoorsman, Jason is especially passionate about Bedell's reverence for the forests. He volunteers regularly for trail cleanups and firmly believes in stewardship – showing respect and being responsible for what we're using, and being aware of our footsteps to minimize our impact and find a way to have a responsible, respectful relationship with the outdoors and the special places we love. As Jason likes to say, "We're all in it together."

### PREFERRED MODE OF TRANSPORTATION?

Hiking boots.

### YOUR ONE OBSESSION IN LIFE:

Writing songs.

### **FAVORITE TONEWOOD AND WHY?**

Claro walnut: the figure and color variations and the warm, clear tone across the entire range from highs to lows.

### **BIGGEST MUSICAL INFLUENCE?**

Neil Young, Avett Brothers.

### BEST LIVE SHOW YOU'VE EVER SEEN?

Ben Harper, Les Schwab Amphitheater, Bend, Oregon.

### WHAT MAKES YOU LAUGH EVERY TIME?

My daughter, Avery.

### YOUR SUPERPOWER:

Cooking bacon.

### **FAVORITE BAND OF ALL TIME?**

Pearl Jam.





### DAN CARLTON STRING UP

Having the opportunity to play so many beautiful guitars is one of the most rewarding parts of working in string-up and final assembly, and since Dan's true passion is playing instruments, he's particularly suited for the task. He enjoys starting with the handcrafted body and neck of a guitar, and bringing all the pieces together to completion, to hear the instrument for the first time.

Dan grew up in Washington State in a very musical family. He started playing guitar in the 8th grade, to "stay out of trouble" (no word on whether or not it's kept him out of trouble in the long run). His grandmother is an accomplished ragtime and jazz pianist, and his father plays the accordion and the piano. Every night, when Dan and his three brothers were tucked into bed, and the house was finally quiet, their father would play the piano while the boys fell asleep. It left an indelible imprint on the four boys, and all of them are musicians to this day.

Dan moved to Bend in 2002, and worked in construction prior to joining the Bedell team. A vocalist who plays ukulele, mandolin, guitar, banjo and violin, Dan also plays drums and piano, but says he's not very good at either. He says stringed instruments are his favorite, because, "You can move the tone around and sing at the same time." In his spare time, Dan enjoys playing just about any musical instrument, spending time outdoors, cooking with his wife, sword fighting with his kids, and homebrewing his signature chocolate stout.

### **FAVORITE MODE OF TRANSPORTATION:**

My feet.

### **OBSESSION IN LIFE:**

Helping others.

### FIRST ALBUM YOU BOUGHT AS A KID:

ABBA.

### PERSONAL MOTTO:

Prove it.

### ON WEEKENDS YOU CAN BE FOUND:

Hopefully.

### SIGNATURE DISH:

My kids love my hashbrowns with dill.

### MOST SENTIMENTAL THING YOU OWN:

My grandad's shoehorn.

### DREAM VACATION:

Yes, please.

### DAVID PETO STRING UP

Growing up in Central Oregon, David never had a babysitter. His grandfather, father, and step-dad were all tradesmen, and as a child, the men in his family kept an eye on him – and often put him to work. At the age of fourteen, David taught himself to play guitar. He built his first guitar in high school woodshop and he's been building and playing ever since. In 2006 he moved to the Oregon coast, where he worked for K&K Sound and then headed to California to attend the Musician's Institute in Los Angeles, California. At M.I. Dave earned his A.A. degree with an emphasis in guitar building.

At Bedell Guitars, prior to finish, David works with the neck and the body, to fit the dovetail joints. After the finish has been applied, he attaches the necks, bridges, hardware and strings to complete the instruments. Dave admits to having a healthy amount of O.C.D., but says the key is knowing when to stop. He particularly loves working with woods from the Pacific Northwest, and has a soft spot for the Bedell Earthsong series guitars. He's a self-taught craftsman, and has read every book on the subject. In his spare time, when he's not building guitars, he works on his house, goes fishing, and takes road trips.

### **FAVORITE SCENIC VIEW IN OREGON:**

The Fall River in the snow (in the Cascade Mountains).

## FAVORITE WEEKEND GETAWAY IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST:

Bandon, Oregon.

### **FAVORITE TONEWOOD:**

Myrtlewood.

### PREFERRED MODE OF TRANSPORTATION:

### YOUR ONE OBSESSION IN LIFE:

Building.

### BIGGEST MUSICAL INFLUENCE:

Stevie Ray Vaughn.

### **FAVORITE SOUND IN THE WORLD:**

Red-winged blackbird.

### **DREAM VACATION:**

Alaska.





### SIMON HAYCRAFT FINISH

Simon is a sculptor and a painter with a deep appreciation for tonewoods, and a comprehensive understanding of finishes. He has almost a sixth-sense for the perfect finish, which is essential since he hand finishes all Bedell instruments. Simon sees each instrument as a piece of art, as a canvas that he has the honor to complete. Like many artists, beauty is something Simon strives for, no matter what he does.

Simon grew up in England, studied art in college, and has a diploma in design from Leamington Spar College. He moved to the U.S. in 2000, and has lived in Oregon since 2005. Prior to joining Bedell Guitars, Simon ran his own custom interior finishes company for high-end residential homes. In his spare time, Simon can be found fishing, carving, or working on other creative projects in his home studio.

### **FAVORITE TIME OF DAY:**

Sunrise. It's beautiful and there aren't many people around.

### **FAVORITE POEM:**

"If" by Rudyard Kipling.

### YOUR OBSESSION IN LIFE:

Fishing.

### FAVORITE CRAFT BEER:

Dead Guy Ale by Rogue.

### SIGNATURE DISH:

My chili and my spaghetti bolognese.

### DREAM VACATION:

New Zealand.

### BEST SKILL AS A CHILD:

Drawing.

### IS ELVIS REALLY DEAD?

No, he lives in my basement.

### ANGELA CHRISTENSEN BRAND MANAGER

Angela has always been talented at working with her hands, she has a degree in sculpture and has been working with wood --jewelry, high-end cabinetry and musical instruments -- for most of her adult life. In 1999, while studying at ASU, a summer road trip launched her passion for wood when she stopped at the Wolf Education and Research Center in Idaho, and was awed by the impressive hand-carved doors that graced the information center. Struck by the beauty of this functional artwork, in that moment, she knew wood was her medium of choice. When she returned from her trip, she started working for a custom furniture shop, and never looked back.

Angela moved to Bend, Oregon, and has been working in the musical instrument industry since 2002. She started managing raw wood and parts and then moved into purchasing wood and working with suppliers. She apprenticed under a master luthier in inlay in 2006, and at the same time, learned string up and assembly. Currently, Angela oversees the Bedell brand, the Seedto-Song Studio, the inlay department, and manages all wood purchasing for custom instruments. She says the most satisfying part of her job is working directly with clients, helping to design the ultimate custom instrument. In her spare time, she's focused on her family. "It's all about family," she says. She and her husband also have a jewelry line called Snap Dragon Studios.

### **FAVORITE SOUND:**

My son's belly laugh.

### FAVORITE SONG:

"Imagine" by John Lennon.

### FAVORITE TIME OF DAY:

Sunrise. It is a visceral experience to me, a special time in the day that is renewing and energizing.

### **FAVORITE CRAFT BEER:**

Sinister Ale by 10 Barrel Brewing Co.

### **FAVORITE FLOWER:**

Peony.

### ON WEEKENDS YOU CAN BE FOUND:

Slowing down and soaking it in.



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United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service 4700 River Road Riverdale, MD 20737

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To engage in the business of importing, exporting, or re-exporting terrestrial plants or plant products that are protected and regulated by 50 CFR 17.12 or 23.23 (Threatened or Endangered Species)

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#### PERMIT CONDITIONS

A copy of this permit (including all conditions) must accompany all shipments authorized under this permit. Upon arrival in the United States, the articles and shipping container(s) are subject to inspection by officials of Customs and Border Protection, Agriculture Inspection (CBP-AS) or Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ).

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- 4. If the shipment is for export or re-export, a copy of the USDA-APHIS ePermits-issued Protected Plant Permit must be presented, for the re-exporter to engage in the commercial trade of CTES/USA listed plants and plant products.
- 5. If the USFWS-issued CITES Re-expert Tertificate or Other Certificate requires that the permittee attach a copy of the CITES Expert Permit or Certificate issued by the Management Authority in the country of origin, CItP or USDA will verify that the CITES Appendix I, Appendix II, or Appendix III regulated timber or articles were originally legally imported into the U.S.
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Soundboard Documentation: Adirondack Spruce



### ADIRONDACK SPRUCE HISTORY DOCUMENT

SUPPLIED BY BEDELL WOOD PARTNER, OLD STANDARD WOODS



### ADIRONDACK SPRUCE PURCHASE ORDER







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Addendum to PPQ Form 519 Compliance Agreement #MO-Import-001

2014-2015

IMPORT AND MOVEMENT OF SPRUCE LOGS (PICEA SPP.) AND MAPLE LOGS (ACER SPP.) TO OLD STANDARD WOOD

If We agree that no liability shall be attached to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), or any of their employees in the event of injury to property or personnel. If We further agree to carry out sanitary measures that may be required by APHIS and to carry out and abide by the following

- 1. This agreement will be evaluated on an annual basis or as needed, based
- 2. Shipments are limited to 15 per year.
- 3. This agreement shall pertain only to shipments of spruce or maple logs which have been soaked with a mixture of gasoline and diesel fuel and covered in wax, prior to shipping.
- 4. A copy of this Compliance Agreement must be presented along with the documents. The local Missouri Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service wfice (APHIS) or state office with an Authorized Certification Official (ACO) must be notified of the shipments pending arrival.
- 5. The logs are to remain segregated from other materials in a constant 55 degree (or less) Fahrenheit cold water spray/bath until milled.
- 6. Materials received between November 1 and March 31 will be processed by March 31; materials received April 1- October 31 must be processed within thirty (30) days of receipt.
- Z. All logs are to be stripped of bark and the bark and other waste incinerated per the time frame described above.
- 8. The bary free logs are then to be power washed; and cut into thin strips (5-6 mm) or cut into thicker strips of 5 mm to 2.54 cm. The thin' strips are to be immersed in a biocide for 2 minutes. The 'thicker' strips (5 mm to 2.54 cms are to be vacuum klin dried at 155 - 160 degree Fahrenheit for 7 days; until a moisture content of 4-5% is met. All (strips) pieces may then
- 9. Representatives of USDA APHIS PPQ or Missouri Department of Agriculture will conduct audit inspections to ensure compliance. Audit inspections will be conducted during normal business hours and will not
- 10. Violation of any stipulation of this agreement is grounds for suspension of the agreement and may result in prosecution.

PERMIT TO IMPORT TIMBER & TIMBER PRODUCTS

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This establishment will ensure that each shipment of regulated material moved is accompanied by a copy of this agreement. Stipulations and treatment measures are detailed in artached aggendum.

Violations of federal regulations, including any alteration, forgery or unauthorized use of Federal forms, are subject to criminal penalties with monetary fines in accordance with 18 USC, imprisonment for a period not to exceled one year, or both, or civil penalties of up to \$500,000 (TUCS ST734 (b)). The USCA reserves the right to revise or cancel the Compliance Agreement at any time.

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# Back & Sides Documentation: Brazilian Rosewood

#### BRAZILIAN ROSEWOOD HISTORY DOCUMENT

SUPPLIED BY BEDELL WOOD PARTNER, MADINTER

I have been in the music industry for fourteen years, over which time I have been fortunate to have visited hundreds of workshops and enjoyed hours and hours of conversations with guitar makers, many of which, today I can proudly say are my friends.

During all this time, millions of guitars "under construction" have passed through my hands, and I have searched in several countries for the best woods to become tomorrow's musical instruments. I have seen the trees for myself, selected the perfect logs, chosen the ideal sets, helped luthiers decide on their purchases and seen the wood later in the process. I can honestly say that I have seen the seed turn into song. And it is wonderful. My passion for wood has grown day after day and with it my desire to learn more and care for its future. Wood is a gift from Mother Nature and we must value it for what it really is.

There are many species adored by guitar makers and guitar players, and each one gives a unique sound to every single instrument. Some are chosen for their beauty, or their color, others for the sound, and there are those that are used simply due to tradition, or to fashion. But there is one species we all respect and revere, there is no argument: Brazilian rosewood is the queen of all tonewoods.

In the last few years, when Brazilian rosewood sales were frozen, one thing I have missed is the smell of its perfume in the workshops. To me, and quite probably to many, workshops

don't smell of real guitar workshops anymore, and only a few privileged people today know what that aroma transmits: artisanship, patience, uniqueness, art, music... That same aroma anyone of us can smell when we put our nose to the sound hole of a guitar made of Brazilian rosewood, no matter how old the instrument.

Many have tried to substitute this marvellous wood with others, some quite similar in appearance and sound such as Madagascar rosewood, but history is history, and no species will ever be able to replace the magical dalbergia nigra. I don't know of a luthier that doesn't miss it. Those fortunate enough to own a guitar made with Brazilian rosewood, or to simply have the opportunity to play one, should feel privileged, as it really is something unique, an authentic jewel.

The value and importance of the purchase Bedell has made is enormous, not for its economic value, which is of course also great, but for its exclusivity. Each and every guitar made from one of the Brazilian rosewood sets will be unique and special. And there won't be any more.

One of the advantages of this wood, apart from its beauty and exclusiveness, is that it is completely stable due to the number of years it has been curing in Madinter, in a perfect climate and cared for by experts. All the same, wood never dies, and it should always be conditioned to the atmosphere where the guitar is going to be made. Doing all that we can to minimize risks is the least we can do for the queen of tonewoods.

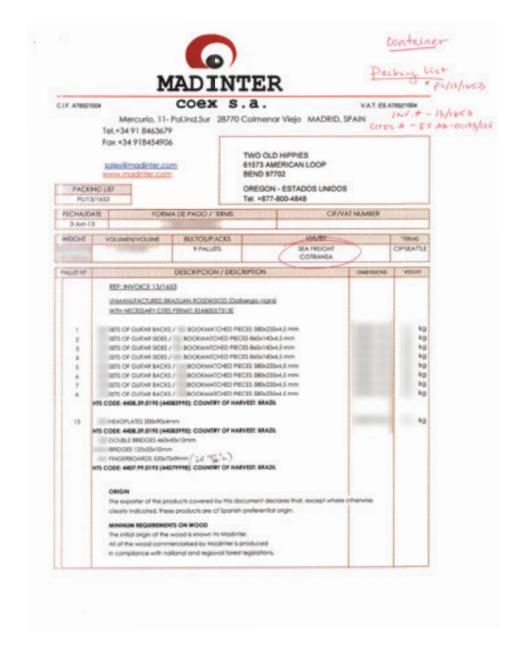
Jorge Simons | Madinter | September, 2013



SPECIES	Brazilian rosewood
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LOCATION HARVESTED	The Atlantic coastal forests of Brazil, in the states of Bahia, Minas Gerais, Espírito Santo, Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo
CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY HISTORY	Late 1950s – early '60s: Francisco Sanchez Sese imported the Brazilian rosewood logs to Spain.  1990s: Sese's son, Miguel Angel Sanchez Senovilla of Madinter began milling the logs into tonewood sets.  2013: Bedell Guitars acquired the tonewood sets from Madinter.
WOOD PARTNER	Madinter Trade, S.L. C/ Granito, 5, Pol. Ind. Puente Madrid, 28412 Cerceda, Madrid, Spain

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#### **BRAZILIAN ROSEWOOD 585 PERMIT**

ISSUED TO TOH (BEDELL PARENT COMPANY) TO ALLOW IMPORT FROM SPAIN TO THE U.S.A.





06/10/2016

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Impection Service 4700 River Road Riverdale, MD 20737

#### Permit to Import Timber or Timber Products Regulated by 7 CFR 319.40

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See permit conditions below

#### PERMIT CONDITIONS

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(2) Availed Protected Plant Permit to Engage in the Business of Importing, Experting, or Re-Exporting Temestrial Plant (PPQ Form 622) issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Assembly Health Importion Service, Plant Protection and Quarantine, Permit Unit, is also required.

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USED ON GUITARS WITH SERIAL NUMBERS 0414XXXX AND LOWER



RFL Group

PO Box 361, Lake Oswego, OR 97034

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#### HONDURAN MAHOGANY CHAIN OF CUSTODY

USED ON GUITARS WITH SERIAL NUMBERS 0414XXXX AND LOWER



### HONDURAN MAHOGANY PURCHASE ORDER

TOH (BEDELL PARENT COMPANY) PURCHASE FROM RFL GROUP



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HARVEST LOCATION	Bolivia
YEAR HARVESTED	2008
HARVESTED BY	Agroindustrial La Perla de San Julian, Bolivia
IMPORTED TO THE U.S. BY	Continental Hardwoods, Portland, OR Newman Lumber Company, Gulfport, MS

#### HONDURAN MAHOGANY CHAIN OF CUSTODY

USED ON GUITARS WITH SERIAL NUMBERS 0514XXXX AND HIGHER

NOVEMBER 2008	Exported to Newman Lumber Co. CITES permit #00678
OCTOBER 2013	Newman sold to Specialty Forest Products in Algona, WA
MAY 2014	Specialty Forest Products sold to Continental Hardwoods in Portland, OR
	TOH acquired a small quantity of this mahogany from Continental Hardwoods and a larger quantity of the same original import from Newman Lumber directly.

## HONDURAN MAHOGANY PURCHASE ORDER

TOH (BEDELL PARENT COMPANY) PURCHASE FROM CONTINENTAL HARDWOOD







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#### HONDURAN MAHOGANY PURCHASE ORDER

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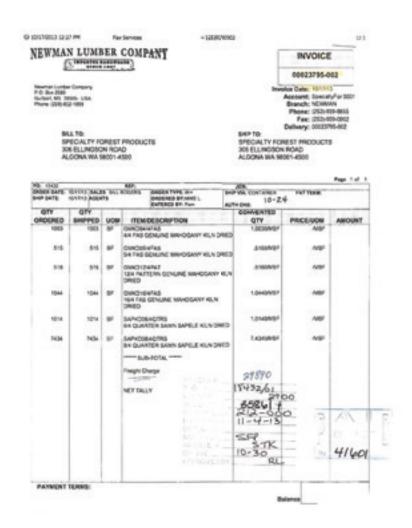
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