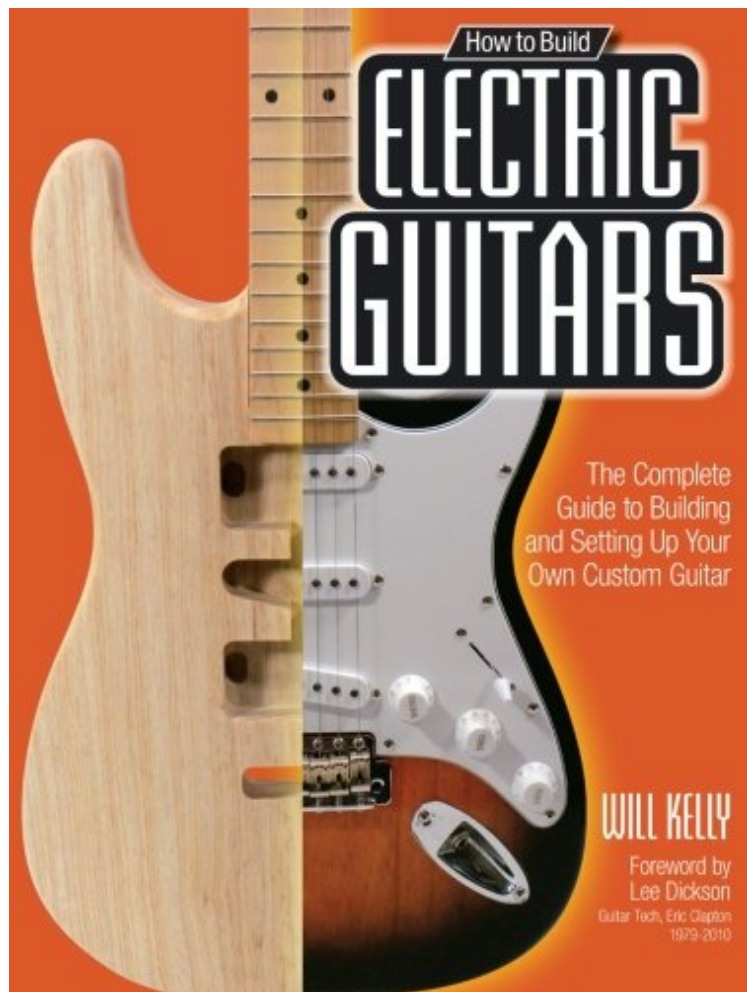


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11 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Complete guide is a little overstated, but overall good book. By sumacidalI don't know if the description specifies, but this is about building kit guitars. Although most of the same details apply to any guitar build, there are certain things when you are mixing suppliers and making stuff yourself that you won't get out of this book, although by taking bits and pieces from each separate build, you will get the brunt of it (just be ready to flip some pages). Exceptional photos and step-by-step instructions throughout, well-written and stays

on point. Area most lacking is in fretting, as it uses pre-constructed necks for the builds, but also doesn't talk about leveling or polishing or any of that - maybe better for the beginner this book is aiming at. The relic techniques are interesting and probably pretty useful if you are into that. Gives you finishing techniques that don't require a spray booth (or gun), and basically just keeps it pretty simple. Some of the best written and illustrated setup (bridge and nut height) techniques that I can recall seeing in print. A great place for a beginner to guitar building to start, and will give a tinkerer some ideas to modify and improve their guitar. 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. A fantastic book if you're building guitars from kits. It is well written and well illustrated with hundreds of color photographs. It contains lots of great info on getting professional-looking results using commonly available tools and finishing materials. I've had it for a couple of years, and I still refer to it frequently. 4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. It's a good reference for specifically assembling and finishing a guitar made ... By Dan D It's a good reference for specifically assembling and finishing a guitar made from kit pieces. Great overview of finish coating, setup, distressing the guitar (aesthetically) and assembling the components. There's very little information about how to carve and build your own body or neck/fretboard.

In the past few years the market for electric guitar kits and parts has exploded. For every two enthusiasts, there are four opinions on how properly to fill woodgrain. In this book, Will Kelly cuts through all that noise and shows how, with a little patience and some inexpensive tools, the average person can turn a modest investment into a gig-worthy instrument and perhaps even a lifelong hobby.

From the Back Cover Most guitarists dream of building their own custom guitar. Fortunately, in recent years, the market for affordable electric guitar kits has exploded. Unfortunately, it seems like for every two builders, there are four opinions on how to properly execute each step in a successful build. In this new book, acclaimed builder Will Kelly (Vintage Guitar magazine and Hard Knocks Guitars) cuts through all the noise to show how, with a little patience and some relatively inexpensive tools, the average weekend enthusiast can turn a modest investment into a gig-worthy instrument and even a lifelong hobby.