

Gibson Les Paul



Advertisement with Les Paul and his wife, musician Mary Ford, 1953

What year was this model introduced? _____

Who manufactured this guitar? _____

What does the name of this guitar refer to? _____

What materials was this guitar made from? _____

What were some of the specific technical features of this guitar? _____

What type of music was this guitar best suited for? _____

Was this guitar commercially successful? If so, why? _____

Why did Gibson begin manufacturing the Les Paul model? How did the introduction of this model affect who was able to own an electric guitar? How in turn did this help fuel the spread of Rock and Roll in the 1950s? _____

Is this guitar (or a similar model) still manufactured today? If so, have any significant changes been made? _____

Who are some of the important artists associated with this guitar or similar guitars? _____

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