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CARVIN Introduces the Allan Holdsworth Headless Guitar

HH1 & HH2 Models Equipped with JCustom Headless Research™ Bridges

Short Version

Carvin and Allan Holdsworth are pleased to announce one of the most exciting new Custom Shop guitars to come out of our San Diego facility in recent years. The new Allan Holdsworth Signature Series HH1 and HH2 Headless Guitars are available in hardtail and tremolo-equipped models, both using the JCustom Headless Research™ bridges. Although headless guitars are not a new concept, Carvin has refined the design, and improved the tone and playability to meet Allan's exacting requirements. The single-pickup HH1 and dual-pickup HH2 are completely new designs available with Carvin's full lineup of Custom Shop options. A chambered alder body with white birch top and set-in Eastern hardrock maple neck is standard. The standard ebony fingerboard has 24 medium-jumbo frets with a 25.5" scale length and 20" semi-flat radius. Our popular Holdsworth humbuckers pickups, which Allan has used for years on his other signature models, are standard. There are dozens of available options on the HH1 & HH2, including premium AAAA top woods, assorted body and neck woods, finishes, fretwire sizes & material, fingerboards, inlays, and more.

Full Version

San Diego, CA – JAN 2012 Carvin, the name musicians everywhere trust for high quality USA-made guitars, basses, instrument amplifiers, recording equipment, and sound reinforcement products, is excited to announce our latest Custom Shop collaboration with legendary guitarist Allan Holdsworth. The new HH1 and HH2 guitars represent one of the most innovative designs to come out of Carvin's San Diego Custom Shop in many years.

In the past few years, Allan had requested a headless design that combined the superior tone and playability of his Carvin Holdsworth Signature H2 and HF2 Fatboy guitars, but in a more compact, headless design. After extensive research, development, and "on the road" testing by Allan, the HH Series was born. The single-pickup HH1 and dual-pickup HH2 guitars feature a chambered alder body with a white birch top and Eastern hard rock maple set neck. The chambered body and headless design make the HH Series guitars extremely light, weighing in at less than 5.5 pounds. A JCustom Headless Research™ hardtail bridge with fine tuners is standard, and a JCustom XS-Trem tremolo system with fine tuners is optional. Body and neck woods, including premium mahogany, walnut, swamp ash and koa are available, along with AAAA flamed/quilted maple, flamed koa, figured claro walnut, burl maple and spalted flamed maple top woods. A 25.5" scale ebony fingerboard with white dot inlays, medium jumbo nickel-silver frets and a semi-flat 20" radius are standard. Multiple neck options are available, including fingerboards woods; fretwire materials & sizes; dot, block, diamond and Signature inlays in genuine abalone and mother-of-pearl; and gloss, satin and tung-oiled back-of-neck finishes. Many finishes are offered, including standard solid colors, optional metallic and translucent stains, and deep triple step finishes on flamed and quilted maple. Electronics consist of Carvin's Allan Holdsworth Signature H22 humbuckers, with a mini-switch pickup selector on the HH2.

The Allan Holdsworth Signature Series HH guitars are available from Carvin's Custom Shop at <http://www.carvin.com/customshop/holdsworth>.

About Carvin

Since its launch in 1946, Carvin has specialized in building and selling high quality musical instrument products direct to the consumer. The company's innovative factory-direct approach has grown from a catalog mail order service into a large-scale manufacturing / retail business with a strong Internet presence. Today, Carvin customers can instantly purchase everything from customized, handcrafted instruments to tour-ready professional audio systems. With more than 60 years of achievement, Carvin continues to grow its relationship with musicians worldwide by offering an extensive range of guitars, basses, instrument amps, recording, and P.A. products. To order, visit us online at www.carvin.com or call 800-854-2235.

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