

FOR SALE: Vintage 1961 Gibson Les Paul SG with real P.A.F. pickups, original hardware & case

This Les Paul (serial # 2221) was made in 1961, the first full year of production under Gibson's (then new) "solid guitar" (SG) body design, which was a radical departure from the traditional Les Paul design of the 1950's. However, it still shares some very key hardware with those late 1950's "holy grail" Les Pauls. Most importantly are the original "Patent Applied For" (PAF) pickups (see pics to the right), which produce the sweet, creamy tones associated with players like Jimmy Page, Slash, Billy Gibbons, Gary Rossington Duane Allman, Dickey Betts, Eric Clapton and so many other blues and classic rock greats!

This guitar includes the original Gibson hardware, except for a replaced tuner button (see pic below) after one completely dried up and broke off. It also comes with the original tan/pink Gibson case (the same style used with the late '50's Les Paul). It even has the infamous original Gibson "sideways" vibrato (which only lasted for the 1961 production). Of course, like many guitars of this age, this one has seen it's share of bumps and bruises. Many years ago it came off the strap and fell face first causing a neck/body joint break (NOT a headstock break). This was repaired using a neck plate and the joint is still rock solid to this day. The fall also caused a couple of minor finish cracks near the input jack on the front of the body. None of this affects the guitar's playability, PAF tone, etc. But **it does give you a way to get into the vintage guitar market without spending a ton of money!** This same model often sells for \$15-20K without repairs but **this one is priced to move at only \$7K O.B.O.** - the PAF pickups alone are worth almost half that price! I am the third owner of this guitar. Until recently it was owned by a family friend who was given the guitar as a birthday present in about 1964. Her father had purchased it from the original owner in the early 1960's. I have over 150 detailed pictures available at:

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