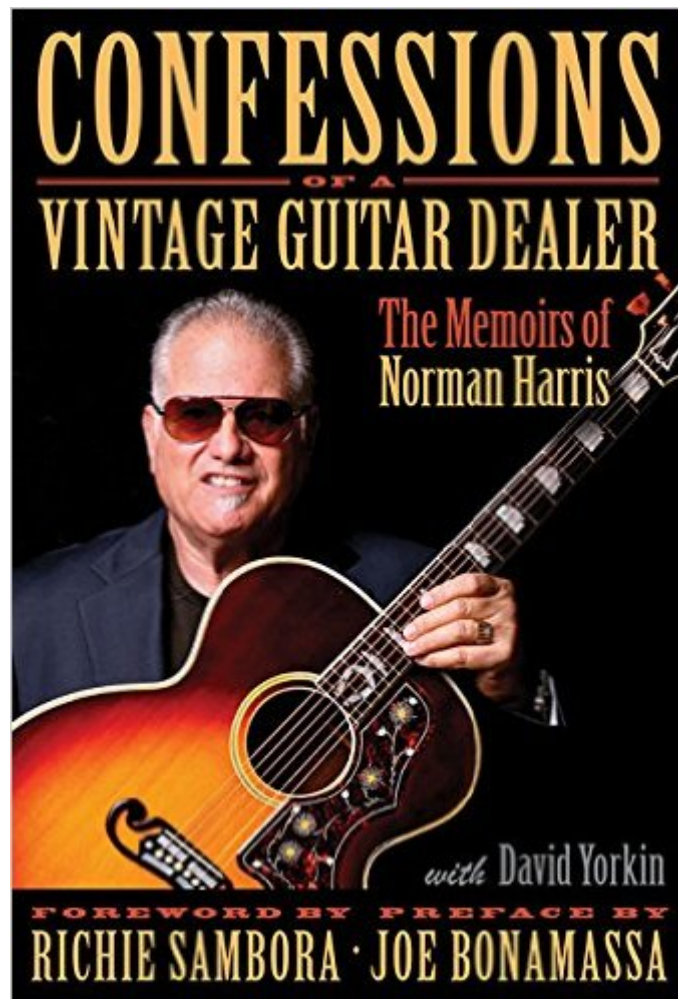


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# Confessions Of A Vintage Guitar Dealer: The Memoirs Of Norman Harris



## Synopsis

(Book). In *Confessions of a Vintage Guitar Dealer*, Norman Harris tells how he became the world's leading seller of vintage guitars. As founder and owner of the legendary store Norman's Rare Guitars, he has sold some of the finest fretted string instruments to the biggest stars in the world, including George Harrison, Bob Dylan, Tom Petty, and many others. In 1970 Harris moved to Los Angeles in hopes of hitting the big time in music. His first plan was performing, but plan B was buying and selling guitars, and he had no idea how much opportunity for this there would be. Many groups came to LA also hoping to hit it big, but those who didn't might have to sell their instruments. This helped make early-1970s Los Angeles a haven for beautiful vintage guitars. At the same time, Hollywood was beginning to realize the value of time-correct instruments in film, and the recording industry recognized the high-quality sound vintage instruments produced. The value of these instruments has grown dramatically since the '70s, and the vintage guitar market has become an international phenomenon with Norman Harris at the center of it all. Filled with fascinating stories and insights into the entertainment business, *Confessions of a Vintage Guitar Dealer* is an intriguing memoir from a man who has spent a lifetime getting extraordinary instruments into the hands of extraordinary artists.

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This book is a very entertaining read. More than that, though, it is filled with life and business lessons. Norman has built a fabulous collection and successful business through his intelligence, shrewdness, perseverance and willingness to take risks. I understand Norman's success after reading the book and have more respect for him than ever before. His commitment to helping the

homeless is worth special mention. Great book Norman. Thanks.

Great book.. As a lover of quality built guitars it was so interesting to see how Norm got started in the business. The man had amazing drive and determination and a great vision on what would be sought after and highly coveted decades later- original guitars in great condition... If you're a lover of guitars I highly recommend this book.. I look forward to visiting the store on my next trip to the west coast.. Thanks for documenting and preserving so many fine specimens Norm !!!!!

Fascinating memoir of how Norman Harris built his vintage guitar empire. A captivating account of one man's search of unique guitars and the talented hands he placed them in. Thoroughly entertaining...

A fast paced and thoroughly engaging read with enough snappy vignettes and insider scoops to fill a dozen books. Just plain fun!!

When I purchased this from I had been waiting for months for its release, I have Normans first book and was knocked out with it I collect guitars and have over 100 so anything with the word "Vintage" I love. Norman has put his heart and soul into this book and is a fine read covering his life's tales on where he is today I wish we had more like him in the guitar world. Keep up the fine work Norman and keep looking after the past history of guitars..Oh!...start work on your next book I can not wait!!

Confessions is an easy read and really an inside look at the habits of rock royalty and their obsessions with vintage guitars. Amazing that one person, Norman Harris could not only get his hands on so many fantastic guitars, but that he could meet and sell to so many blues, and rock and roll legends. Super book, recommend it for anyone interested in who's who of rock and history of American guitars! Thanks Mr. Harris

If you love vintage guitars you'll love this book. Norm has some great stories and he knows guitars. Highly recommended. Be sure to check out Norm's YouTube channel. My only complaint is that I wish the book was twice as long. I hated for it to end.

I loved reading about Norm's life, this mans brain is a encyclopedia of guitars and music.. Great stories about his experiences.. If you read the book and watch some of his videos on you tube you

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