



2000 C.F. Martin & Co. 000-42ECB Eric Clapton Limited Edition

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2000

Primary Maker

C.F. Martin & Company

Medium

Wood; Metal; Plastic

Description

2000 C.F. Martin & Co. Eric Clapton Signature 000-42ECB guitar, serial number 757119 with limitation number 103 /200, in natural polished gloss finish with Vintage Toner top. The guitar features a spruce top with a rosewood back and sides, a mahogany neck, and an ebony fretboard. It has style 45 snowflake inlays and a facsimile Eric Clapton signature inlay at the 20th fret. In its original hardshell case. Clapton's use of a 1939 Martin 000-42

during his 1992 MTV Unplugged performance (see 2019.011.0001 for this guitar) captivated audiences and led to a resurgence in the American acoustic guitar market. Martin and Clapton sought build upon this relationship, and collaborated on Eric Clapton signature series guitars starting in the late-1990s. This 000-42ECB was borne of that relationship, and led to further Clapton signature Martin guitars in the 2000s. Eric Clapton (b. 1945) is an English rock and blues guitarist often considered one of the greatest guitarists of all time. Clapton joined the Yardbirds in 1963, before moving on to John Mayall & the Bluesbreakers in 1965. In 1965, Clapton formed the supergroup Cream with bassist Jack Bruce and drummer Ginger Baker. With Cream, Clapton recorded four successful albums before disbanding in 1968. Clapton and Baker then formed the band Blind Faith, which also featured Steve Winwood, and recorded one album. Clapton made a short touring appearance with Delaney & Bonnie before striking out as a solo artist. He formed the band Derek & the Dominoes for one album, before resuming his solo career. Clapton has won 18 Grammy Awards and is a three-time inductee to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, once as a solo artist, and with the bands Cream and the Yardbirds.