



2006 C.F. Martin & Co. 000-40S Mark Knopfler "Ragpicker's Dream" Prototype

Date

2006

Primary Maker

C.F. Martin & Company

Medium

Wood; Metal; Plastic

Description

2006 C.F. Martin & Co. Mark Knopfler 000-40S, serial number 1131750 with label identifying this instrument as prototype 2 of 4, from a limited edition run of 155 instruments, in natural polished gloss finish with Aging Toner top. The guitar features Grand concert 12-fret 000-style body with Italian Alpine spruce top, Indian rosewood back and sides, ebony fretboard with Style 42 select abalone snowflake inlays, 20th fret Mark Knopfler

signature inlay, and an interior label signed by Knopfler. Mark Knopfler (b. 1949) is a British guitarist, singer, and songwriter best known as a member of Dire Straits. Knopfler founded Dire Straits with his brother, David Knopfler, in 1977. Their debut self-titled album was released in 1978 featuring the song "Sultans of Swing," which went double-platinum. Dire Straits continued to record throughout the 1980s, with hits like "Romeo and Juliet," "Telegraph Road," and "Money for Nothing." Dire Straits broke up in 1995, and Knopfler embarked on a solo career releasing 10 albums as of 2024. Knopfler is left handed, but plays guitar in a right-handed setup with his signature fingerpicking style.