



## 2012 Fender Stratocaster Custom Shop Signed by NASA Astronauts

**Date**

2012

**Primary Maker**

Fender

**Medium**

Wood; Metal; Plastic

**Description**

2012 Fender Custom Shop Space Stratocaster, serial number US12305229, in custom space themed finish. A NASA-themed Fender Stratocaster electric guitar custom made by master builder Chip Ellis. The body of the guitar features a variety of space and NASA-related images to front and back, such as insignia for the Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo programs, the NASA "meatball" logo, and images of the lunar module and rover on the surface of

the moon. The guitar is signed on the body and black pickguard in gold ink by 12 astronauts: Alan Bean, Apollo 12, Gene Cernan, Michael Collins, Walt Cunningham, Apollo 7, Charlie Duke, Apollo 16, Joe Engle, Space Shuttle, X-15, John Glenn, Richard Gordon, Fred Haise, Apollo 13, James Lovell, Apollo 13, Dave Scott, Apollo 15, and Tom Stafford. Signed by both the first American to orbit Earth (Glenn) and the last man to walk on the Moon (Cernan). The reverse of the headstock is signed in black felt tip by builder Chip Ellis, with added date of 2012.