

Suhr®

Badger 18™

USER MANUAL



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This 18-watt, all-tube amplifier offers a wide range of classic guitar sounds. Driven by a cathode biased EL-84 power section and features a 5Y3GT **tube** rectifier, the Badger 18 delivers a variety of warm, sparkling cleans and rich, dynamic overdrive tones.

Whether playing a large stage, small club or your home studio, Badger's Power Scaling feature provides added flexibility. This makes it easy to dial in your ideal tone at any volume - from loud and cranked, all the way down to one watt.



ON/OFF: To power up the Badger 18, flip the ON/OFF select switch to the ON position. To power down, simply switch the power switch to the OFF position.



Power: Power Scaling emulates the tonal response of a high wattage amp on 10, at manageable volumes. Power controls the voltage that feeds the output section and in turn, the wattage. As you lower the voltage of the power section you are reducing the amount of signal it can handle before clipping the output section. To compensate for this we use the "Drive" control so you can easily scale down to 1 watt without losing tone & feel.

Tone controls: Bass, Middle and Treble tone controls for each channel are post-gain and passive cut-style. We recommend starting around 5 and dialing to taste. As you increase Gain and/or Drive we recommend dialing back the Bass to retain clarity and definition in the low-end.

Gain: Controls the amount of preamp gain by controlling 2 cascading gain stages simultaneously to drive the input stage.

Drive: Feeds the input to the power section. With Power at 10 it acts as a master volume. As a rule of thumb, when you turn down the Power always set the Drive control within 2 numbers of the Power setting. If you set the drive lower than the power it will sound brighter, like a "master volume" amp.

Note: Keeping the Drive within 2 numbers of the Power setting will retain the natural amp overdrive characteristics all the way down to 1 watt.

WARNING: Setting the Drive control more than 2 numbers higher than the Power setting will cause the output section to clip beyond what is typical and may produce artifacts and compression that the user may or may not find appealing.



Tube-Buffered Effects Loop: Performs equally well with pedals and line-level rack gear. For best results ensure that the effects unit is set to unity gain.

Speaker Outputs: Includes two sets of speaker outputs wired in parallel:

8 Ω OHM:(1 @8 Ω or 2@16 Ω)

4 Ω OHM :(1 @4 Ω or 2@8 Ω)

A.C. Fuse: This fuse is connected to the AC primary side of the Power Transformer.

1.25A/250V Slo-Blo (100v/120v)

.750A/250V Slo-Blo (220v/230v/240v)

CAUTION - Never use a fuse with a higher amperage rating.



Tubes: The Badger 18 tube compliment consists of two EL84 power tubes, three 12AX7 preamp tubes and one 5Y3GT* rectifier tube.

** When replacing the rectifier tube, we require you change it with a new 5Y3GT. Using the 5Y3GT will ensure your Badger's internal voltages operate properly.*

SAMPLE SETTINGS

Max Clean Headroom: Power: 10, Drive: 10, Treble: 5, Middle: 5, Bass: 5, Gain: 2-3



On The Edge: Power: 7, Drive: 8, Bass: 4, Middle: 7, Treble: 7, Gain: 4-5



Crunch: Power: 6, Drive: 6, Bass: 4, Middle: 5, Treble: 5, Gain: 6-7



Saturated Lead: Power: 10, Drive: 4, Bass: 3, Middle: 6, Treble: 6, Gain: 8-10



SPECIFICATIONS:

Output: 18 Watts
Tubes: 2-EL84, 3-12AX7 and 1-5Y3GT
Combo speakers: 1x12" WGS Veteran 30
Panel controls: On/Off, Power, Drive, Bass, Middle, Treble, Gain
Outputs: Dual speaker outputs: 4Ω, 8Ω & 16Ω impedance
Cabinet: Void free Baltic birch ply
Dimensions: **Head:** 20.5" wide x 9.25" high x 8.25" deep, **Combo:** 20.5" wide x 24.75" high x 11.0" deep
Weights: **Head:** 31 lbs, **Combo:** 66 lbs
Included Accessories: Padded Cover
Also Available: Matching Suhr 1x12" and 2x12" cabinets with WGS speakers

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