
Subject: Re: Jazz Lovers... new stuff

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I think I'm odd. I've never played a Martin I liked very much. But I've also never played an old one. Most of the Taylors I like, some of the smaller boutique guys build guitars to die for. Martins and Taylors are pretty much the peak in acoustic. I have an Alvarez that I call the rose. It has a rose inlaid in the neck. The small music store where I took lessons had it for about a year. My teacher said "You need to buy this guitar". It's the one he and the other teacher used all the time. It was only about \$700, regular 1k. It plays and sounds better than anything I've played. A 3.5k Taylor tempted me a while back, til I came home and played the rose again. Never seen or heard of another one.
