Subject: Tube Distortion at Low Volume?
Posted by Ricardo on Fri, 14 Sep 2007 10:44:38 GMT
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It's been years since I played my electric guitar through an amp, and I never really developed my own sound. The last time I used it with a system, I plugged directly into the P.A. board, with a compressor stomp box for leads.Now I live in a condo and I'm wondering if I could get a good sound to record through a small Fender at a low enough volume to avoid noise complaints?

Subject: Re: Tube Distortion at Low Volume?
Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 14 Sep 2007 14:24:28 GMT
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Maybe turn the distortion up and the volume down?

Subject: Re: Tube Distortion at Low Volume?
Posted by Ricardo on Fri, 14 Sep 2007 14:38:00 GMT
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Yes, I'd start with that approach. I think it would probably give decent results, especially in a mix with other instruments.I suspect it wouldn't be quite as good as the crunch from an amp and speakers working close to their capacity.Although now I think there are more sounds in style than just the wailing amps.

Subject: Distortion pedal
Posted by Shane on Sat, 15 Sep 2007 23:20:32 GMT
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One way you can do it is with a distortion pedal. Like a Tubescreamer or a DS-1. Let's you keep the volume low and vary the distortion level. Not as good of course as turning the volume and gain up to 10, but it works pretty well.

Subject: Re: Distortion pedal
Posted by Ricardo on Mon, 08 Oct 2007 17:07:09 GMT

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Thanks for the suggestion about the Tubescreamer. Come to think of it, I used to play in a band with a guy who used one. They're made by Ibanez, aren't they?

Subject: Re: Distortion pedal
Posted by willyable on Sat, 13 Oct 2007 15:18:12 GMT
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Tubescreamers are made my Ibanez. I used to own a tubescreamer distortion pedal, but I prefer proco rat now. Although tube screamers do have a a great sound, i would still use it if had no other distorion pedal device.Willyable

Subject: Re: Distortion pedal
Posted by Crystal on Sun, 21 Oct 2007 05:00:38 GMT
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I own a tubescreamer. Sounds great on my crate amp. Never heard of proco rat. I should do a google search on it.Crystal