

Black LTD. Vintage Chorus

A true classic – recreated.

A number of months back, a close friend of mine came to me for advice on how to cop the chorus tone heard on Prince's "Purple Rain." While it was obvious as to what was used on the cut, it wasn't as easy to find a suitable substitute or replacement.

So we got together, had a few drinks and came up with a damned-fine work-a-like: The **Black LTD. Vintage Chorus**.

It was no easy task, and at the same time, we wanted to include a little more versatility than the original package had. All said and done, I'd say we did a damned fine job recreating that classic, original "Chorus Ensemble" sound, in an intuitive, easy-to-use, three-knob, true bypass, compact-footprint, 9V powered stomp-box. Well, I say: Mission Accomplished. This thing sounds true-to-form, and downright rad as hell.

This fine instrument, like every Mr. Black pedal, was designed from the ground-up and handmade in the pacific-northwest: smack-dab in the industrial south-easy, Portland, Oregon. This time, with a little help from a friend we'll just call "Randy."

Features/Tips/Rad shit:

- Specifically tuned O.G. chorus tone.
- Expanded range of speed controls.
- Full wet/dry mix knob, rather than a "Chorus/Vibrato" footswitch.
- Classic chorus, as first heard in 1976.
- True-bypass
- 9VDC power (2.1mm negative center pin adapter) or internal 9V battery

To replace the 9V battery, grab your trusty philips head screwdriver and remove the four screws holding the backing plate on. The battery sits right below the foot-switch. I think you can handle the rest.

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Controls:

MIX: Dry to Wet ratio

Full CCW: 100% dry.

Middle: 1:1 dry/wet mix

Full CW: 100% wet.

DEPTH: Spread of chorus/detune effect

Full CCW: Very, very narrow.

Full CW: Very wide.

RATE: Speed of chorus/pitch modulator

Full CCW: Real slow

Full CW: Pretty fast

BYPASS SWITCH: Toggles on/off

LED on: **Give up the goods!**

LED off: Really? Why do you have this pedal?!

Tech stuff:

Input impedance: ~470K Ω

Output impedance: ~2K Ω

Bypass: True-Bypass

Current draw: <60mA

Power requirement: 9VDC adapter or 9V battery