



*Ritter Royals*

the most exclusive instruments of Jens Ritter

**Certification of Authenticity**

**“Below the Cow Paddock”**



This Instrument was exclusively handcrafted

in the years 2018 - 2019

in Deidesheim /Germany

Ident.Nr: 1808

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jens Ritter". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'J'.

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### About the instrument

This guitar was finished and tuned in April 2018. It was then buried underground at the Odinstal winery in Wachenheim / Germany with no cover or any other protection. The instrument had direct contact to the ground – and so became a part of the nature.

The “grave” was in the middle of an organic cow paddock. Over the summer 2018 the cows lived above the guitar and contributed to the guitar finish in their own way...

In fall 2018 I excavated the guitar and the result was highly interesting. We brushed the sand away and dried the instrument in our drying chamber.

Nothing was done to the guitar afterwards, except a new fret polish and new strings.

A funny story is the fact, that I first didn't find the “grave” of the guitar anymore. The cows had dug over the whole place and covered the tracks of the guitar position. So I had to buy a metal detector to walk over the field searching for the signal.

Many thanks to the Hensel family of Odinstal – they are always very supportive for crazy projects!

PS: Watch out for the YOUTUBE Documentary movie of this project!

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## Instruments

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### "THE PORSCH"

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Instrument Identification Number:

**1808**

Bodywood: Solid Red Cedar

Neckwood: Mahogany

Fingerboard: Ebony

Scale: 24.75" (628.65mm)

Tuners: RITTER Gotoh SGL HAP-A 510

Bridge: Schaller GTM Custom

String Attachment: Through Body Single

Finish Body: Odinstal Nature

Finish Neck: Odinstal Nature

Nut: Rendered Cow Bone

Pickups: RITTER Humbucker HB-F

Electronics: Volume / Tone / PU-Switch

This Instrument is handmade in Germany.

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