

Guitar wall hanger

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intro: Guitar wall hanger

I was at the local Guitar Center today and noticed that they are charging 15.00 bucks for a wall mount to hang your guitar by... I figured it would take about 20 minutes and a few bucks but it would save me some cash, which i dont have right now.



step 1: Gather parts

The first step is to gather parts... The parts i used were:

Hollow Wall Anchors #6-32 X 2-3/8"

SUPER Tool hanger

Scrap Closet rod with a flat side.



step 2: Prep parts

In this step I cut the closet rod scrap to a length of 4" and drilled 3 holes. 2 on each end for the screws to go through, and 1 pre-hole for the Super Tool to screw into.



step 3: Assemble

Put everything together and hang it on the wall..

I never said this was hard..

You have to first mark where the wall anchors are going to be and then pound them into the wall and screw them all the way tight so that they're anchored to the wall. Then, when you screw it through the closet rod, the threads will catch.



step 4: Keep your guitars out of the reach of small children...

And midgets... if you so choose.

Hang the gee tar on the wall and enjoy.

I made three of these for just over 8 bucks when Guitar Center was charging 15.00 each for them.



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sn3102 says:


I am in the process of doing something like this in my apartment. This may be a small detail but... I would consider adding a small square of some kind of foam material stuck to the wall behind the main body of the guitar. As perfect as we are, sometimes we get in a hurry with things. I have some chips in my ivory board binding along the bottom edge of my acoustic guitar to prove it.


Jun 1, 2009. 6:12 PM [REPLY](#)


 **peskypesky** says: May 24, 2009. 3:59 PM [REPLY](#)
here's an example of a heavy-duty hook. it can hold up to 50lbs, which should cover even a lot of Les Pauls.
<http://www.ronshomeandhardware.com/ProductDetails.asp?ProductCode=770735&Click=1014>
same hook at higher price:
<http://www.organizedliving.com/product/garage/hooks/heavy+duty/super+hook+tool+hanger.do>

 **peskypesky** says: May 23, 2009. 11:34 PM [REPLY](#)
psyched to try this myself....i'm heading to Home Depot tomorrow. will let y'all know how it goes.


 **kevinsmith011** says: Apr 30, 2009. 11:53 PM [REPLY](#)
Superb man, nice article, thanks for posting this, this information is very helpful and I can't wait to do this.


 **nina_wicks620** says: Aug 27, 2007. 11:43 AM [REPLY](#)
would screwing the black double hook directly into the wall be too unstable to hold an acoustic guitar? i dont care how it looks. thanks


 **mr2monster** says: Sep 23, 2007. 3:16 PM [REPLY](#)
It would probably work as long as you put it into a wall stud... assuming you have wood wall studs and not metal.


 **kimris** says: Apr 30, 2009. 12:58 PM [REPLY](#)
It would also depend on the depth of the guitar body. Make sure that once the hook is screwed in, you'll still have enough room for the guitar to hang away from the wall. This will protect it from scratches and and temp or humidity changes in the wall.

 **ibanezguy** says: Apr 27, 2009. 5:53 AM [REPLY](#)
hey does it matter about the holding load of the hook


 **artist without a medium** says: Apr 24, 2009. 3:51 AM [REPLY](#)
Interesting.....Have several instruments around. Shall have to give this a try, having tripped over a guitar stand in the past.


 **jonesie110** says: Apr 17, 2009. 6:44 AM [REPLY](#)
Thanks bro, i have been wanting to hang my guitars up for a long time, and this will be very helpful


 **rocktheproject** says: Apr 9, 2009. 9:18 AM [REPLY](#)
hey, i went and bought all the supplies this weekend, the hook was just over \$2.00 and i got the exact wood pieces you did, two of them for \$2.00 total. i found the wood rod at Lowe's, but it was labeled as Stairwell Railing, instead of closet rod. i'm really excited about this. thanks again
-nick


 **rocktheproject** says: Apr 4, 2009. 7:53 AM [REPLY](#)
you, my friend, are the man. my wife and i just moved into an apartment and we have two small children, the oldest being almost two. she LOVES to play with my guitars, which i allow as long as i am holding it, because i don't want to squelch her interest in the instrument. unfortunately though, she has learned how to unlatch the cases, so now, mu guitars aren't safe anywhere while i am away. i was just talking to mywife LAST NIGHT about hanging my guitars on the wall, so now, thanks to you, i can do that this weekend for much cheaper.
thank you!!!!!!

 **samsq1** says: Mar 27, 2009. 2:14 PM [REPLY](#)
Thanks so much for the tip! I will definitely be using this in the future!


 **stephenniall** says: Mar 5, 2009. 8:26 AM [REPLY](#)
I did this but with one of them Bendy pipes from the pound shop and epoxied and Screwed it on to my Board then on the wall and wrapped it around the neck of my Ukulele


 **Ph3nomin0n** says: Dec 4, 2008. 7:18 AM [REPLY](#)
Very Nice and easy, but heres what I did, since I dont have money or the means of going anywhere to get supplies. I took two 4 inch wall screws and drilled them about 6 inches apart and set the guitar on them both and two 3 inch screws right next to the neck of the guitar and with a piece of string I held the guitar to the wall. Very good instructable.

 **eidlyn** says: Feb 2, 2009. 4:40 PM [REPLY](#)
I think every guitarist cringed when they read this. It really sounds like the screws would scratch the finish on the neck. My roommate suggests you put superglue or gorilla glue in a one by one foot square on the wall, and press the back of your guitar into this square.

 **Ph3nomin0n** says: Feb 2, 2009. 6:11 PM [REPLY](#)
Well thats what I thought too, that the screws would scratch it, but what i did was i covered the screws in surgical tubing and it protects it just fine


 **Mr. Brownie** says: Jan 22, 2009. 4:23 PM [REPLY](#)
That looks like my guitar!* looks around*


 **skimboarder33** says: May 7, 2008. 4:35 PM [REPLY](#)
I will make this. but wont the guitars neck be warped unless there is support on the bottom?


 **Farewell88s** says: Jan 21, 2009. 1:20 PM [REPLY](#)
How? Its not like the guitar is going to be twisting around and pulled on a great deal enough to do any damage.


 **backyrat** says: Jan 5, 2009. 6:44 AM [REPLY](#)
You can find the hooks at Wal-Mart, K-mart, and probably hardware stores also. They are in the bike accessory area or garage organizational stuff. I saw some sold as bike hooks to hang your bike up in the garage.

 **srf21c** says: Sep 23, 2007. 11:34 AM [REPLY](#)
Great project. Was curious where you were able to locate closet rod that thick w/a flat side. I couldn't find any at the local Home Depot or Ace hardware. Or did you have to plane it flat?

 **Monster_Boxx** says: Dec 4, 2008. 12:57 AM [REPLY](#)
I am thinking that it is not closet rod, I think that is some railing rod. The flat side so you can support it from the bottom.

 **abquid** says: Oct 14, 2008. 9:21 PM [REPLY](#)
No reason you *have* to use a round closet rod; a rectangular block of wood would work as well (though the rod looks nicer).

 **mr2monster** says: Sep 23, 2007. 3:15 PM [REPLY](#)
You know, i think I actually found that in the trim section of home depot. It wasn't planed (by me) it's how i bought it.
Also, check the scrap bin because a lot of the time they have smaller chunks in there. I just saw some today. I'm not sure what people use it for.

 **thirstyghost** says: Nov 25, 2008. 6:03 PM [REPLY](#)
I've made these with scrap wood of 2 pieces. The back was plywood (oval traced from a craftstore prefab piece) and a small diamond (or square) piece glued and screwed from behind to add thickness enough for the main screw. I do have one that's into a piece of 2x4, but there's always a chance of that splitting down the middle because of weight.


Definitely screw into a stud with long screws. The "sledge-hammer" holder hooks were available at Home Depot or Lowes, but now I can only find them at K-mart, since Sears bought them. They're like 50 cents or something like that in the tool section. I've also made uke holders with the smaller grey-rubber coated hooks that HD and Lowes carries. The hooks are even ok for wider necks like classicals and 12-strings, and you just turn them a little for strat-style heads.


 **thirstyghost** says: Nov 30, 2008. 8:05 AM [REPLY](#)
You should look at the hook closely when buying to get one with the screw centered on the "u". There's some that are a little crooked or off-center, and others really bad.


The one for the uke (small grey hook) has the original pine-plaque for it's base, that I got from the craft store to use for tracing the oval. For the main ovals, I used 3/4" scrap pieces of sanded plywood to ensure strength and either plywood or 1x4 scrap for the square/diamond.

Make sure you screw into a stud with long enough screws!
I used some decking screws.




 **downhillman** says: Oct 12, 2008. 10:54 AM [REPLY](#)
I was going to make this, but I couldn't find that tool hanger thing. So I had to buy a wall hanger for about \$15 from a music store. Great instructable, wish I could have done it!


 **sifty** says: Aug 25, 2008. 9:22 PM [REPLY](#)
hey was just wondering if this could support the weight of the specter rex4 (for those of you that dont know what it look like <http://www.spectorbass.com/NewFiles/professionalsseries.html> scrol down to the Rex Brown Signature model set)

 **Crowbait** says: Aug 18, 2008. 8:49 AM [REPLY](#)
or even this for more equipment. BTW thanks for the idea. saved me a lot of money. The wood is screwed into the studs behind the drywall. I recommend that if you value your equipment, then fasten any hangers you make properly and securely.




 **avi911** says: Mar 7, 2008. 6:27 AM [REPLY](#)
ye thats really cool dude
do u think it can support the weight of an electric guitar


 **mr2monster** says: Mar 7, 2008. 5:43 PM [REPLY](#)
I hung my Ibanez electric from it for a long time and never had anything happen to it.. I don't see why it wouldn't work.


 **avi911** says: Jul 14, 2008. 10:40 AM [REPLY](#)
they get pretty heavy hey
depends on alot of different variable i.e pick-ups(believe it or not) neck, trem etc.


 **Velotrash Industries** says: Apr 21, 2008. 12:10 PM [REPLY](#)
personally, I'd use plastic wall anchors. still awesome, though


 **davidgoodman76** says: Jul 2, 2008. 12:04 AM [REPLY](#)
Oh. Got it.
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 **davidgoodman76** says: Jul 1, 2008. 11:40 PM [REPLY](#)
Hey man. Where did you get the 'hook' piece with the screw in the back of it? I went by Guitar Center today and they only had pre-fab kits, no extra pieces like that one.


 **nathangrn** says: Mar 21, 2008. 5:38 AM [REPLY](#)
These hooks are great for newer guitars. i made a 3 guitar hange out of a piece of a pallet. But the rubber finish will eat into older guitars with laquer finishes.


 **Deadpunk** says: May 11, 2008. 9:35 AM [REPLY](#)
a nice little cloth slip over the rubber should take care of that quite well though


 **theskimlife** says: Apr 6, 2008. 2:15 PM [REPLY](#)
Just a suggestion for extra safety on it just take another one of those little wall mount things and let the neck rest within it so it cant fall over


 **disturbedreaper** says: Mar 30, 2008. 5:46 PM [REPLY](#)
ill make one wen i get my new guitar in. i bought one about 4 months ago and the guitar was defective just really didnt have time to get it back also im 15 and cant drive(i can drive and well but just not legaly) so i needed to wait. the guitar just didnt play it nade no sounds so the company is shiping me a new one. any way i like this idea i might also adapt it to work with my guitar hero guitar.


 **pepsivanilla93** says: Mar 22, 2008. 3:37 PM [REPLY](#)
sweet!!! I just got my first guitar today. I'll have to try this!

 **gabriahl** says: Mar 20, 2008. 10:46 AM [REPLY](#)
foam pipe insulation wrapped in electrical tape could give you a softer snugger fit and its cheap around a buck. good work.


 **arcarter369** says: Mar 19, 2008. 5:49 AM [REPLY](#)
yea my dad does this out n the gurage(its insulated) and it holds the guitars fine but i would recomed that u use something such as electric tape on the rubber ends of the hangers so that the guitar dosnt slide off just wrap it arround the ends so that the ends r built up and the guiatar cant fall off
AC


 **Leonard Zelig** says: Mar 18, 2008. 5:20 PM [REPLY](#)
I'm not sure what the hanger is made of, but certain materials can react with lacquer. If your guitar is finished with nitrocellulose be careful what you put it on.

 **rocknrollskwurl** says: Mar 18, 2008. 3:51 PM [REPLY](#)
no if you could stack them sideways and get 5 guitars in 4 feet wide of wall as in horizontal length wise and 5 high

 **shantinath1000** says: Mar 18, 2008. 3:48 PM [REPLY](#)
I bought a number of similar hooks and put them into studs and use them to hold dumbbells. they will hold up to a 20 pound dumbell with no problem.

 **l0rd0ct0d0rk** says: Mar 4, 2008. 6:14 PM [REPLY](#)
Nice, BTW, me and you have same exact guitar.

 **blade27** says: Jan 25, 2008. 12:25 PM [REPLY](#)
nice show n tell m8, i nearly spent Â£20 on one today but my bird said this site was good. just goes to show not all women are all style no substance eh

 **bluefly43** says: Dec 12, 2007. 8:06 PM [REPLY](#)
I went to Home Depot, bought my hangers and enough stair hand railing, which is just like closet rod but with a flat side already on it. I stained the railing, installed it around my room, screwing it to studs all the way around, then installed the hangers. I now have a pretty "cheap" display for all 16 guitars and room to add more.



mr2monster says:
got any pics?

Dec 12, 2007. 9:15 PM [REPLY](#)

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