# Pigtronix Philosopher's Tone - User's Guide

Welcome to the realm of Pigtronix!

Your new Philosopher's Tone is a versatile analog compressor / sustainer / distortion effect that produces a broad range of tones, from transparent optical compression to outrageous howling sustain and many textures in between.

Rule #1: You don't need to use the GRIT control to get great sounds out of the Philosopher's Tone. In most cases, compression tones will sound best with the GRIT turned all the way down.

It is recommended that you place the Philosopher's Tone at the beginning of your signal chain for best results. The Philosopher's Tone will work well when placed before other pedals, especially pitch-tracking devices, such as the Pigtronix Mothership that benefit from a powerful and consistent input signal.

## **Explanation of the Controls:**

GRIT – Mixes in a layer of smooth distortion into the effect.

SUSTAIN – Sets the threshold for the compressor. Turn it up for more intense compression and sustain.

BLEND – Determines the mix of effected and dry signal. Keep it all the way up to explore the effect.

TREBLE – This powerful EQ is neutral in the 12:00 position and either cuts or boosts high frequencies.

VOLUME – Sets the overall output level of the device when engaged. Turn it up for a BOOST.

## Sample Settings:

Here are some suggestions to use as a starting point for finding your sound:

#### **Transparent Comp**



#### Clean Sustain!!!



#### 2 Amps at Once



## **Raging Bull**



*DC Power* - The Philosopher's Tone comes with a 15VDC @ 300mA neg. tip power supply. This pedal can run on voltages as high as 18VDC for maximum headroom. The Philosopher's Tone does not take batteries.

#### Pigtronix Limited Warranty:

Your Pigtronix effect pedal comes with a 1 year limited warranty on parts and workmanship. During the warranty period we will repair or replace, at our option, defective parts or pedals free of charge, and return them to the owner. Warranty service does not include damaged, modified, or misused pedals and such pedals will be subject to a standard repair charge.

**What we will not do:** Pay for shipping or transportation charges from you to us, or pay for any international shipping charges.

What you must do: First, contact us directly via email and describe the problem to us. If the problem cannot be resolved we will have you send your pedal directly to us for servicing.

How to contact us for warranty service:

Email: tech@pigtronix.com Phone: 917-941-2861

**Warranty Limitations:** This warranty does not cover defects resulting from improper or unreasonable use, accident, unauthorized tampering or modifications; and, warranty shall be considered void if chassis has been opened.

To validate your 1-year, limited warranty, please register your Philosopher's Tone, **within 30 days of purchase**, on the web at: <a href="https://www.piatronix.com/warranty">www.piatronix.com/warranty</a>