
Subject: OT: Choosing a decent acoustic-electric guitar
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I'm usually an electric player, but I need to buy a decent acoustic (with electronics). I tried a bunch of brands, and seem to be converging towards a Taylor (something along the 714CE or 814CE).

Before I commit to an actual purchase, I wanted to ask around for any potential advice. As much as I'd love to buy from a luthier, I don't think I'll get much traction with my planned budget (as a reference, the 714CE would cost around \$2800). I don't know many luthiers, and the ones I do know have a worldwide reputation (and are therefore not making guitars for \$2800 - more like \$5k and up).

While reading Taylor reviews, I've seen several references to the Martin OMC-Aura, so I went to try it out. I found it to be incredibly ugly, but quite playable, although the action is typical Martin (i.e. high action, a guitar that you have to dig in hard). Since I play mostly electric, the nice low action of Taylors is appealing to me.

Anyone out there able to make some suggestions? General or specific, good or bad, I'm quite open to any ideas.

Thanks,
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