### **Ultimate Pharaoh**

Based on:

Black Arts Toneworks Pharaoh

Supreme **Effect type:** 

Supreme Fuzz
Build difficult:

Average

**Amount of parts:** 

Average, total 25 components

Technology:

Transistors cascade, Muff Type

Power consumption:

9V

**Enclosure type:** 

1590bb

Get your board at:

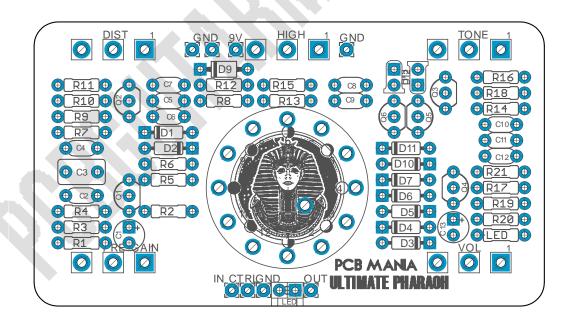
**Ultimate Pharaoh** 

Get your kit at:

Das Musikding (Europe)

#### **Project overview:**

The Ultimate Pharaoh is the final evolution of the legendary Pharaoh fuzz by Black arts Toneworks. The Pharaoh has long been known for its plethora of musical fuzz tones that forge a link between your guitar and amp without masking the inherent character of each. This rich legacy of tone has led many guitarists to bow down to the Pharaoh, extending its dynasty across pedalboards the world over. Now the Pharaoh Supreme ascends to the Osirian throne, promising all the tones and sounds of the original Pharaoh and much more



#### Index

- **1.** Project overview
- **2.** Index, Introduction & Controls
- 3. Bills of Materials, BOM
- 4. Shopping Lists
- **5.** Components Recommendations

- 6. Build Notes
- 7. Schematic
- 8. Wiring Diagram
- 9. Drill Template
- **10**. Licensing and Usage

#### Introduction

The Supreme has all of the sounds and abilities of the Standard and Primitive Pharaohs, but with some very useful additions and a bit of a twist.

The Ultimate Pharaoh replaces the Hi/Lo input switch for a variable pre input control to infinitely adjust the saturation of the front end of the circuit from 1 to 10. Following the same logic, instead of the 3 way diode selector, this version utilizes a 6 way rotary switch to select from the Standard Pharaoh diode settings, plus an additional 3 setting not available on the previous Pharaohs, allowing you to select from the following diode settings: Germanium, Asymmetrical Germanium(standard Pharaoh), Silicon (standard Pharaoh), Mosfet, LED and Bypass (standard Pharaoh).

The Pre knob control in addition to the Clip switch produce an array of sounds and textures that expand the Pharaoh into the ultimate ever produced Fuzz, definitely a build you'll be proud of.

#### **Controls**

- Fuzz control knob sets fuzz distortion level from a cleanish boost, to a light overdrive, all the way to saturated fuzz.
- Tone control knob adjusts tonality, designed to suffer little volume loss and give a natural sound.
- High control knob replenishes highs cut by the Tone control when boosting lows.
- Volume control knob sets output level.
- Pre control knob replaces the Hi/Lo switch of the standard Pharaoh and adjusts the front-end saturation between tones with more headroom/less clipping and less headroom/more clipping.
- Clip 6-position rotary knob selects from 6 different clipping stages, from left to right: Germanium, Asymmetrical Germanium (standard Pharaoh), Silicon (standard Pharaoh), Mosfet, LED, and Bypass (standard Pharaoh).

# **Bill of materials**

| Resistors |       |  |
|-----------|-------|--|
| Part      | Value |  |
| R1        | 2M    |  |
| R2        | 100K  |  |
| R3        | 470K  |  |
| R4        | 1K    |  |
| R5        | 10K   |  |
| R6        | 1K    |  |
| R7        | 6K2   |  |
| R8        | 100K  |  |
| R9        | 100r  |  |
| R10       | 470K  |  |
| R11       | 10K   |  |
| R12       | 6K2   |  |
| R13       | 100K  |  |
| R14       | 100r  |  |
| R15       | 470K  |  |
| R16       | 470K  |  |
| R17       | 100K  |  |
| R18       | 10K   |  |
| R19       | 470K  |  |
| R20       | 10K   |  |
| R21       | 2K2   |  |
| R-LED     | 4k7   |  |
|           |       |  |

| Capacitors |       |  |
|------------|-------|--|
| Part       | Value |  |
| C1         | 10uf  |  |
| C2         | 470p  |  |
| C3         | 470n  |  |
| C4         | 47n   |  |
| C5         | 470p  |  |
| C6         | 47n   |  |
| C7         | 47n   |  |
| C8         | 470p  |  |
| C9         | 47n   |  |
| C10        | 10n   |  |
| C11        | 22n   |  |
| C12        | 47n   |  |

| Diodes |             |  |
|--------|-------------|--|
| Part   | Value       |  |
| D1     | 1N4148      |  |
| D2     | 1N4148      |  |
| D3     | 1n4001      |  |
| D4     | 1n4001      |  |
| D5     | 1n34A       |  |
| D6     | 1n34A       |  |
| D7     | 1n34A       |  |
| D9     | 1n5817      |  |
| D10    | 1n270       |  |
| D11    | 1n270       |  |
| D12    | 3mm RED LED |  |
| D13    | 3mm RED LED |  |
| LED    | 3mm RED LED |  |

| Potentiometers |        |  |
|----------------|--------|--|
| Part           | Value  |  |
| TONE           | 250K B |  |
| VOL            | 100K B |  |
| PRE-GAIN       | 500K B |  |
| DIST           | 100K B |  |
| HIGH           | 25K B  |  |

| Transistors |        |  |
|-------------|--------|--|
| Part        | Value  |  |
| Q1          | 2N5089 |  |
| Q2          | 2N5089 |  |
| Q3          | 2N5089 |  |
| Q4          | 2N5089 |  |
| Q5          | 2N7000 |  |
| Q6          | 2N7000 |  |

| Switches |       |       |
|----------|-------|-------|
| Qty      | Value | Parts |
| 1        | 1P12T | SW1   |

# **Shopping list**

| Resistors |       |                           |
|-----------|-------|---------------------------|
| Qty       | Value | Parts                     |
| 1         | 2M    | R1                        |
| 4         | 100K  | R2, R8, R13, R17          |
| 1         | 2K2   | R21                       |
| 5         | 470K  | R3, R10, R15,<br>R16, R19 |
| 2         | 1K    | R4, R6                    |
| 4         | 10K   | R5, R11, R18,<br>R20      |
| 2         | 6K2   | R7, R12                   |
| 2         | 100r  | R9, R14                   |
| 1         | 4k7   | R-LED                     |

| Capacitors |       |                        |  |
|------------|-------|------------------------|--|
| Qty        | Value | Parts                  |  |
| 2          | 10uf  | C1, C13                |  |
| 1          | 10n   | C10                    |  |
| 1          | 22n   | C11                    |  |
| 3          | 470p  | C2, C5, C8             |  |
| 1          | 470n  | C3                     |  |
| 5          | 47n   | C4, C6, C7, C9,<br>C12 |  |

| Diodes |             |               |  |
|--------|-------------|---------------|--|
| Qty    | Value       | Parts         |  |
| 2      | 1N4148      | D1, D2        |  |
| 2      | 1n270       | D10, D11      |  |
| 3      | 3mm RED LED | D12, D13, LED |  |
| 2      | 1n4001      | D3, D4        |  |
| 3      | 1n34A       | D5, D6, D7    |  |
| 1      | 1n5817      | D9            |  |

| Transistors |        |            |  |
|-------------|--------|------------|--|
| Qty         | Value  | Parts      |  |
| 3           | 2N5089 | Q2, Q3, Q4 |  |
| 2           | 2N7000 | Q5, Q6     |  |
| 1           | MPSA18 | Q1         |  |

| Switches |       |       |
|----------|-------|-------|
| Qty      | Value | Parts |
| 1        | 1P12T | SW1   |

| Potentiometers |        |           |
|----------------|--------|-----------|
| Qty            | Value  | Parts     |
| 1              | 250K B | TONE      |
| 2              | 100K B | DIST, VOL |
| 1              | 25K B  | HIGH      |
| 1              | 500KB  | PRE-GAIN  |

# **Components Recommendations**

As many people like to experiment some pedals with higher voltage, always ensure the max tolerance of your **electrolytic capacitors** is over 25v.

This board has been tested using Film box capacitors for most of the values over 1nf, and ceramics discs for the ones under 1nf. However, high quality components such as Wima's Capacitors and Panasonic's electrolytics can deliver a better performance.

All the resistors used for testing this project are 1/4W Metal Film.

The BOM and Shopping list are exclusively regarding this project. It doesn't include all the hardware like the 3PDT bypass switch, audio/dc jacks, enclosure, etc.

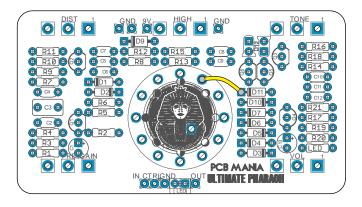
# **Building Notes**

For a successful and tidy build it's recommended the following order:

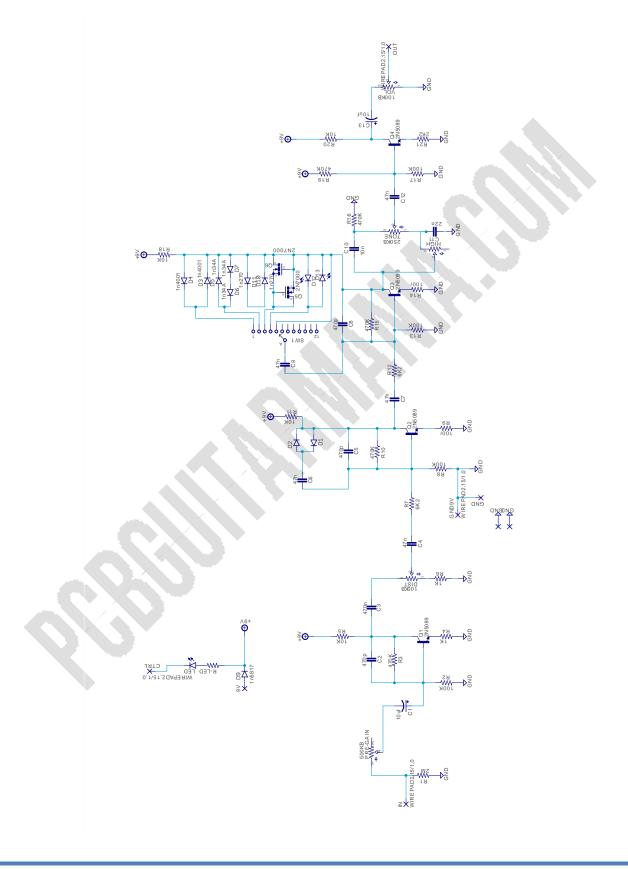
- 1. Resistors & diodes
- 2. Capacitors, starting with the smaller ones and the ceramic ones.
- 3. Electrolytic capacitors (always check the polarity)
- 4. Transistors
- 5. Wires
- 6. Potentiometers and switches
- 7. Off board wiring

The 1P12T rotary switch includes a washer that allows you to limit the amount of available positions. For this project we are going to set our Switch on 6 positions.

For the correct functionality of this project you must place a wire in between the terminal 6 of the rotary switch and D11 as is indicated on the graphic.



# **Schematic**



### **Wiring Diagram**

All our projects include a free 3PDT Board to make the wiring easier and tidier. Also all of our PCBs feature the status LED on board.

The pad named "Ctrl" or "LED" is the one that controls the status of the led, wire it to the "LED" pad on the 3PDT board, or in control slug of your 3PDT.

This board has been designed to match our EZ 3PDT PCB check it here to access to our Pedal Wiring Guide

### **Drill Template**

This Project has been planned to fit into a 1590b enclosure type.

Check the Attached "Drilling templates" to drill the box properly. The files are on Scale 1:1, ready to print in an A4 page.

## **Licensing and Usage**

We really appreciate your trust and support buying this PCB, as well as your will to dive into the DIY electronics world. That's why for us is really important that you can make this project work properly and to enjoy not only the building process, but also to experiment and play with it on your rig.

We try to reply to every question we receive on our email or in our social media, but we try to encourage all our customers to join our <u>PCB Guitar Mania – Builders Group</u> on Facebook, in order to post all your doubts, issues, suggestions or request, as well to share your builds and have some feedback from us and other fellow builders!

All of our projects have been tested following this same guide on their standard configurations. Although, not all of the variations and mods have necessarily been tested. These are suggestions based on the schematic analysis, and on the experiences and opinions of others. Feel free to share with us your opinions and suggestions regarding the mods your own personal experimentation.

These boards may be used for commercial endeavors in any quantity unless specifically noted. No attribution is necessary, though accreditation or a link back is always greatly appreciated.

If you are a builder planning to make your own run of pedals we also offer the service of custom made boards with your brand and logo, design according your specifications.

The only usage restrictions are that, first, you cannot resell the PCB as part of a kit without prior arrangement with us, and second, you cannot scratch off the silk screen, or other way of trying to hide our logos and the source of the PCBs. Like it's written above, if you want to have your own designs, with your brand and logo we could certainly reach an agreement.

Follow us on Instagram and Facebook to stay in tune with the latest projects!