

White's Surfmaster PI schematic diagram

White's **Surfmaster PI** is a good quality, fully waterproof, lightweight metal detector with an exceptional depth in saltwater or mineralized but such use is not advised as -- like all PI (Pulse Induction) designs -- there is no effective discrimination of ferrous objects. Runs on eight



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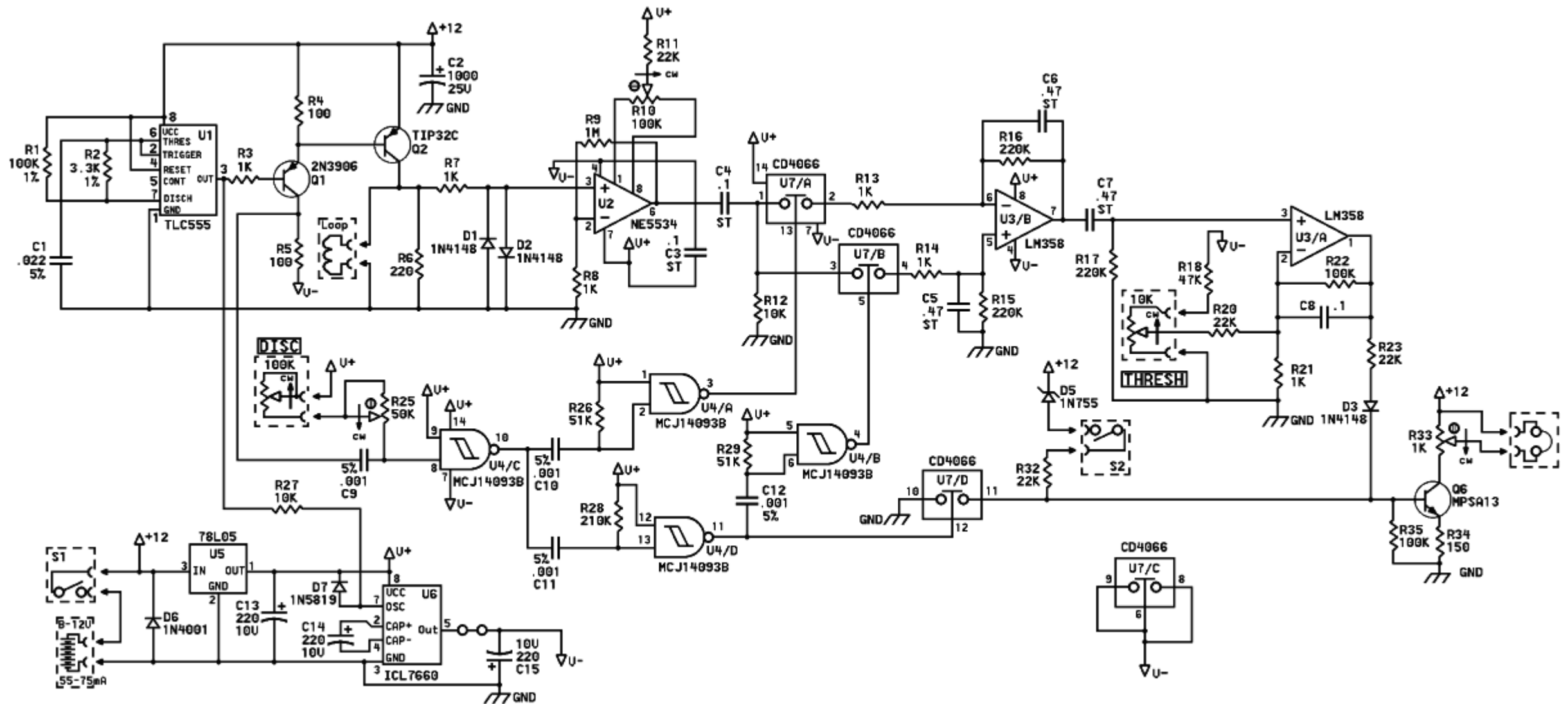


Fig. 1: White's Surfmaster PI metal detector schematic diagram - ([2000x935 PNG](#)).

- Nominal capacitor range of 0.001-0.39uF = polyester film.
- Nominal capacitor range of 0.047-1uF = stacked polyester film.
- ST = Stacked polyester (Panasonic "V" series) +/-5%.
- Simple mod: If TIP32C (Q2) gets excessively hot, use an IRF9640 MOSFET instead. Experiment with different values for R6 to find the optimal value (I use a 390 ohm resistor). Temporarily substitute R6 for a trim potentiometer (470Ω or 1kΩ) to find the optimal dumping resistor for your coil.



Fig. 2: White's Surfmaster PI metal detector

More metal detector schematics:

- [Heathkit Cointrack Gd-1190 Metal Locator](#)
- [Heathkit Groundtrack GR-1290 VLF metal detector](#)
- [White's Classic I metal detector schematic](#)
- [Simple BFO metal detector schematic diagram](#)

- R1, R10, R22, R35: 100kΩ
- R2: 3.3kΩ
- R3, R7, R8, R13, R14, R21, R33: 1kΩ
- R4, R5: 100Ω
- R6: 220Ω 1/2 W
- R9: 1MΩ
- R11, R20, R23, R32: 22kΩ
- R12, R27: 10kΩ
- R15, R16, R17: 220kΩ
- R18: 47kΩ
- R26, R29: 51kΩ
- R28: 210kΩ
- R34: 150Ω
- R25: 50kΩ trim potentiometer
- R10: 100kΩ trim potentiometer
- R33: 1kΩ trim pot. (Volume control)
- P1: 10kΩ potentiometer (THRESH)
- P2: 100kΩ potentiometer (DISC)

Coil:

Note: It's best to use the original Surfmaster coil for optimal performance, but you can experiment with different turns, wire gauge and coil diameters, shielding...

A reasonable depth and sensitivity can be obtained with a 23cm diameter coil, 20 turns made with 0.5mm (24 gauge) standard copper enamel coated wire.

- C1: 22nF
- C2: 1000uF/25V electrolytic
- C3, C4, C8, C16: 100nF
- C5, C6, C7: 470nF
- C9, C10, C11, C12: 1nF
- C13, C14, C15: 220uF/10V electrolytic

Transistors:

- Q1: 2N3906 (PNP silicon transistor)
- Q2: TIP32C (PNP silicon power transistor)
- Q6: MPSA13 (NPN Darlington transistor)

Diodes:

- D1, D2, D3: 1N4148 (Switching diodes)
- D6: 1N4001 (Rectifier diode)
- D7: 1N5819 (Schottky Barrier Rectifier)
- D5: 1N755 (7.5V Zener diode)

Integrated circuits:

- U1: TLC555 (LinCMOS timer IC)
- U2: NE5534 (Single Low Noise Op Amp)
- U3: LM358 (Low Power Dual Op Amp)
- U4: MC14093B (Quad Schmitt trigger)
- U5: 78L05 (5V Positive Voltage Regulator)
- U6: ICL7660 (CMOS switched-capacitor voltage converter)
- U7: CD4066 (Quad Bilateral Switch)



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