Outdoor Musical Instruments
for everyone, everywhere
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Key:

Wheelchair accessible
Suitable for concreting into ground
Suitable for wall fixing
Suitable for surface fixing
Neoprene paddles supplied
Played by hand
Beaters supplied
Percussion Play create exciting, outdoor musical instruments for all ages to explore - bringing the joy of playing percussion to musicians and non musicians alike.

Whether you are looking for an unusual addition to a school playground, sensory garden, local play area, large urban park or community area, Percussion Play has a solution to effortlessly bring music to your open space. Made from tough materials for lasting durability, Percussion Play’s robust instruments are designed for challenging outdoor environments.

We believe everyone should have the opportunity to get hands-on experience of playing a musical instrument and realise how gratifying it is to make music. Percussion Play instruments provide wonderful creative atmospheres - bringing out the inner child and putting smiles on faces.
Rainbow Sambas

With a friendly inviting vibe, this eye-catching set of five outdoor drums is easily our most popular product. Sambas are fun and easy to play whatever your age and will produce lots of creative musical energy! Perfect to bring a unique tone to the playground and guarantee smiles.

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Babel Drums

Small - C Major Pentatonic C4-C5
Large - G Major Pentatonic G3-B4

Babel Drums are circular stainless steel tongue drums which create beautiful melodies with remarkably long sustain. No previous drumming experience is required to produce mesmerizing, mellow tones. A wonderful unique hand drumming experience.

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We’ve taken the traditional conga drum and added our own twist to bring drumming and music making to the great outdoors. These drums really do sound as good as they look and combine outstanding playability with high energy, a wonderful sound and unmistakable visual appeal.
Cajon

Looking for something a little different? Cajons are perfect for outdoor performances. Our version is inspired by the traditional Cuban/Peruvian Cajon drums. The resonating box is made from stainless steel for all year outdoor use and is very responsive and easy to play. They are attractive, very sturdy and can double up as a seating solution. Several together form the perfect drum circle!

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Length | 28 | 11
Width | 36 | 14
Max Height | 41 | 16
Tembos (Aerophones)

C Major Pentatonic C3-C4

Quirky, intriguing with a great sound, our Tembos never fail to excite and delight. Simply strike them with the paddles, then as the vibration begins its journey along the tube, the (pretty funky) resonant tone will be heard.
Handpipes

C Major Diatonic G3 – C5

Play that Funky Music... a new plosive aerophone arranged diatonically set in an acrylic resin and natural mineral mounting.

Played with either a paddle or hands, this delivers plenty of punch and lots of smiles.

Pick out hundreds of tunes, or just put your ear to the top of the tubes and listen to the “sounds of the sea”.

25kg cm in
Length 91 36
Width 25 10
Max Height 96 38
Harmony

C Major Pentatonic C5-C7

The Harmony is based upon a traditional Vietnamese Bamboo xylophone called a T’rung. Elegant, with an irresistibly beautiful sound and breath-taking resonance, Harmony is perfect for melodic exploration. The notes are arranged harmonically, to produce a sweet, happy, high-pitched sound.
Tubular Bells

Set of 7 Chimes C Major Pentatonic A3-C5

A visual and sonic delight for all ages. Unsurpassed in their resonance, the bells produce a deep low tone which you can feel as well as hear. Simple yet striking, these bells will bring an architectural feature to your outdoor area as well as an amazing auditory experience.
Emperor Chimes

Set of 6 Chimes C Major Pentatonic C3-C4
Set of 3 Chimes C Major Chord C3,E3,G3

These big, bold, beautiful chimes are the ultimate in outdoor musical chimes. With the largest standing 2.5m in height, these colossal chimes produce a deep sonorous sound and excellent sustain.

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Papilio Bells

C Major Pentatonic C4-C7

Papilio - with a name derived from the resemblance of its elegant shape to that of the Butterfly, the Papilio is a tubular bell type metallophone constructed using notes of anodised aluminium tubes, suspended by stainless steel cables and supported by a stainless steel frame. The Papilio can easily be played by 4 players, spanning over 2.4m or 8ft.

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Cherub

C Major Pentatonic C4-C6

The Cherub’s melodious bells ring aloud with 11 tubular bells made from hand tuned, heavy duty anodised aluminium. Cherub can be wall mounted or affixed to posts for easy installation into any surface. The Cherub has often been called The Wing as when mirrored, it closely resembles the wings of an Angel hence the inspiration for the name.
The Sonora’s melodious bells chime out loud with 21 tubular bells made from hand tuned, heavy duty anodised aluminium. Sonora can be wall mounted or affixed to posts for easy installation into any surface. The modern design is based on a wave effect. With a varying degree of contortion, depending on what angle you’re looking on from, it certainly stands out in the crowd!
Freechimes are practical, durable and stylish with a wonderful melody and sustain that will liven up any outdoor area. Available individually, in preset arrangements or as a full symphony ranging from 1.5m C3 to the smallest C6 at just 0.5m.
Sleek, ultramodern and whimsical, the Bell Lyre is a firm favourite. Each of the eight bells emit their own sound with sweet, gentle tones from the bells at the top to the deep, sonorous ‘gong’ like sounds of the bottom bells. The depth of sound varies from very soft to very strong depending on how hard you hit the bells.
Colossus Chimes
Set of 11 Chimes C Major Pentatonic C3-C5

The world’s finest outdoor chimes, ranging from 1.6m-2.4m this truly awesome sound sculpture delivers powerful resonant tones.

Exceptional vibrations guarantee an extraordinary sensory experience.
The Duo is a distinctive instrument accessible from both sides to be enjoyed by up to four players. The left and right hand side are mirrored. The Duo can be built with individual notes of aluminium, Ipe (a very resilient hardwood) or GRP (fibreglass). Each of these materials gives a distinct sound when played.

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Jumeau

Kasinda

Besso

Kembar

(* Lead times may vary)
Sansa-Rimba

C Major Pentatonic C4-C6

A bright, stimulating, colourful instrument which is a clever blend of two African instruments; the Sansa (thumb-piano) and a Marimba (xylophone). The notes are arranged as a traditional thumb-piano with the scale ascending from the centre outwards with chords arranged together on both sides.
Cadenza

C Major Pentatonic C4-C6

Small and captivating, perfect for one player but comfy enough for two. This cheerful instrument makes a commanding sound and will delight players and listeners alike.
Capella

C Major Diatonic G3-G5

Play your favourite tunes on this colourful resonated xylophone.

Arranged diatonically, the vibrantly coloured anodised notes are set to our rainbow scale encouraging players to reproduce a myriad of tunes.

Set on an acrylic resin and natural mineral mounting, the stainless steel resonators deliver a bright rounded sound.
Our outdoor Marimba is big enough for up to four people to come together and play at any time - an enjoyable, interesting way to explore music making and great for impromptu play and performances. When hit with the attached beaters the Marimba makes a mellow, warm rich sound.
Grand Marimba

C Major Pentatonic C3-C5

Producing a strong, deep, resonant sound this substantial outdoor instrument is perfect as creative playground equipment, for music lessons or therapy sessions. The big wooden keys are reassuringly simple to play and the Grand Marimba is perfect for improvising and experimenting with music in the fresh air.

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47kg cm in
Length 135 53
Width 93 37
Max Height 99 39
Akadinda

C Major Pentatonic A2-D5

Our Akadinda is the ideal instrument for both adults and children to learn about rhythm and melody in a big way! Great fun to play with huge resilient notes made from Ipe notes which give a natural mellow, low tone. Because it is so large, it’s loud!

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Mirror Chimes

C Major Pentatonic C4-C6

Mirror chimes will reflect light and add sparkle to your outdoor environment. The highly polished stainless steel notes are assembled using the universal mounting brackets which can be installed on virtually any wall surface. Play and let your mind wander, you’ll be amazed at what you picture and reflect on.
Wall Marimba

C Major Diatonic C4-C6

Creativity with space-saving efficiency. The 15 notes of the Wall Marimba are made from polished GRP which makes a very characteristic, distinctly happy sound.
My Tunes

You name it, we make it! Choose a favourite or topical tune for a location. Notes are arranged sequentially so that just striking the notes plays a tune. The anodised aluminium chimes are suspended between stainless steel posts.

Some of our projects to date include:

- I Do Like To Be Beside the Seaside
- Old Macdonald Had a Farm
- Amazing Grace
- Oh, My Darling Clementine
- Jeg Ved en Lærkerede
Every new instrument starts with a little inspiration, a drawing, prototype parts, a change or two here and a little tweak there until finally the last coat of paint is applied.

New and bespoke designs are where all of our ‘standard’ instruments started their lives. We normally have one or two new designs on the go at any one time. Some go into production, others into the recycling pile!

If there is something that you would like to see that is not in the previous pages, please ask us. We are always interested in exploring new ideas.
Our most popular ensemble is an impressive and striking trio of 7 Tubular Bells, our ever popular Large Babel Drum and the anchor of rhythm, the Rainbow Tubular Bells (Pg.11), Large Babel Drum (Pg.5),

The Soprano Quartet is the perfect choice for those projects where you need to squeeze the most out of your budget and create a resounding impact. This mixed quartet of instruments comprises our compact but punchy Cadenza, a Babel Drum and Soprano Pentatonic Freechimes. Spanning 2 octaves from middle C to C6, players will be making harmonious music together almost instantly. The set also includes a pair of Congas to help keep a steady beat going.

Medium Congas (Pg.6), Small Babel Drum (Pg.5), Cadenza Maya (Pg.23), Soprano Pentatonic Freechimes (Pg.16-17)
The Alto Quartet Ensemble is the bigger sibling to the Soprano Quartet Ensemble, an ideal solution for when you’ve got more space to play with and a little more budget. This quartet is comprised of the Duo Cupla – offering both aluminium and fibreglass notes, a towering set of 3 Emperor Chimes, our Alto Diatonic Freechimes and a complete Congas Trio. This set can be installed all together or can easily be split up into smaller musical ensembles. The Diatonic Freechimes give an additional dimension to this quartet allowing further musical exploration.

Congas Trio (Pg.6), Emperor Chimes (Set of 3) (Pg.12), Duo Cupla (Pg.20-21), Alto Diatonic Freechimes (Pg.16-17)
The Quintet Ensemble of musical instruments offers a well-rounded range of tones and resonance. Anyone can take the stage and play improvised music with no tuition or acknowledged musical ability. This pentatonic set offers a varied range of tones, and sounds blend effortlessly into beautiful music. Comprising Cherub, Sansa-Rimba, the warm tones of the Akadinda and a set of 7 Tubular Bells all accompany the Rainbow Sambas... the beat goes on.

Cherub (Pg.14), Sansa-Rimba Mysteria (Pg.22), Akadinda (Pg.27), Tubular Bells (Pg.11), Rainbow Sambas (Pg.4)
the Tubular Bells to the Bell Lyre. The set has many other features including Large and Small Babel Drums and our Handpipes plosive aerophone. Everyone is sure to enjoy exploring how the different sounds are produced.

Tubular Bells (Pg.11), Handpipes (Pg.9), Bell Lyre (Pg.18)

Our biggest and most diverse arrangement, the Septet Ensemble features the greatest pitch range of any musical ensemble we have created, from the low C3 through 4 complete octaves to high C7. Whether you’re enthusiastic amateurs or accomplished musicians you’ll be able to create beautiful music with this ensemble. Play in a drumming circle as a group, build up a solo crescendo on the Colossus Chimes or play with up to 4 players simultaneously on the Papilio Bells. The complete ensemble also includes Large and Small Babel Drums, the Bell Lyre and Handpipes.

Colossus Chimes (Pg.19), Papilio Bells (Pg.13), Cajon (Pg.7), Bell Lyre (Pg.18), Handpipes (Pg.9), Babel Drums (Pg.5)
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