

Basic Detail Report



Grand piano

Date

1795 ca.

Primary Maker

Ferdinand Hofmann

Description

Compass: FF to g3 (5+ octaves, 63 notes) Knee lever to raise dampers. Moderator controlled by hand stop (now missing) through the nameboard. Ebony-covered naturals, bone-covered sharps. Viennese action with brass Kapseln,

f-form Auslöser, and Hofmann's typical rocking hammer-head rests with checks attached. Wedge-shaped dampers FF to b1, flat dampers c2 to g3. Case veneered in cherry (grain oriented vertically), except spine exterior (unveneered). Nameboard and interior key cheeks with geometrical inlay. Four square-tapered screw-on legs (one missing) veneered in cherry. Stringing - bichord FF to b1, trichord c2 to g3.

Dimensions

Length: 2091 mm (front of cheek in bass to tail, excluding mouldings) Width: 988 mm Height: 248 mm 3-octave measure: 481 mm String length: c2 string (longest): 282 mm (originally ~288 mm; now shorter because of wrestplank distortion)