

Basic Detail Report



Trumpet, B-flat

Date

1963 ca.

Primary Maker

F. E. Olds & Son

Description

Brass, polished and lacquered, nickel silver (trigger mechanism and water keys), mother-of-pearl finger buttons, single loop, main tuning slide at first bow, three Périnet valves (1, 1/2, 1 1/2), top-sprung, spring outside hollow stem, alignment by one lug on spring anchor plate, nickel-silver-plated brass pistons, single water keys at main tuning slide and third valve slide, trigger with lever mechanism at first and third valve slides, windway 3-2-1. Silver mouthpiece, stamped: SAM ASH / MADE IN HOLLAND. Olds catalogs from 1962 and 1966 describe the Mendez trumpet model as follows: "Designed by Olds with the help of Rafael Mendez, the result is 'a trumpet player's trumpet.' From pedal tones to unbelievably high

register, the response is even and has unusual carrying power and positive control. A new concept in balance, light weight, full tone and original design. Lightning-fast valve action, medium large bore, both first and third valve trigger tuning mechanisms, special light-weight brass alloy for extra strength."

Dimensions

Height: 480 mm Tube length: 1302 mm Bore diameter (initial, minimum, tuning slide, valve slides): 11.2 mm, 9.2 mm, 11.69 mm, 11.69 mm (0.46 inches) Bell diameter: 121 (4 3/4 inches)