Alphorn, F

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Primary Maker

Josef Stocker

Description

Conifer tubing (made in two halves), beech bell (laminated and sawn), rattan cover; demountable into three sections with brass sleeve and tenon at the joins. Josef Stocker (b. 1941) in Kriens, Luzern, produces alphorns in fairly large quantities. He employs the modern technique of artificially sawn bells, formed after templates, rather than using the traditional naturally grown curved tree trunk. In Switzerland the most common alphorn pitch is G-flat. However, for ensemble playing with organ, orchestra or other brass instruments, the F alphorn is preferred.

Dimensions

Height: ca. 3640 mm Tube length: 3870 mm Bore diameter: 16-27.5 mm (first segment), 27.5-47.2 mm (second segment), 47.5 mm (initial, third segment) Bell

diameter: 170 mm



