Basic Detail Report



Cornophone, alto, E-flat

Date

1910 ca.

Primary Maker

F. Besson

Description

German-silver-plated brass, triple loop, tuning slide at first bow (small first loop), fixed leadpipe, three Périnet valves (1, ½, 1½), bottom-sprung, alignment by one key on piston (brass), single water key at tuning slide, windway 1-2-3. The cornophone offered an alternative to the Wagner tuba and was used in Paris instead of that instrument.

Dimensions

Height: 405 mm Tube length: 2015 mm Bore diameter (initial, minimum, tuning slide, valve slides): 10 mm, 9.3 mm, 10.9–11.3 mm, 11.3 mm Bell diameter: 149 mm