



**SIGNATURE
CUSTOM**

More personal. More advanced.

The Signature Custom saxophone is, simply, unlike any other.



As a sax player your experience tells you that you may like the immediacy of sound from 925 silver but are also attracted to the resonance of rose brass, as well as the vibrant tones of the bronze and gold finishes...

Why then ultimately compromise your performance by choosing a mass produced instrument with metal and finish options decided by the manufacturer?

“The power and projection is immense.”


ALTO AND TENOR



Reverence for individual craftsmanship and the highest standards lie at the heart of the Signature Custom concept. The brief was simple... to design saxophones that are as individual as a human fingerprint. To build saxophones where the musician chooses their metal and finish options to suit their own unique taste and style. To create an

instrument hand assembled in England to the highest standards by a single individual craftsman. The result; saxophones that transform high musical performance into high art. Saxophones in which so much pride is taken, they are, like works of art, certified by the person who created them.

"Playing sub-tones and *ppp* is so clear it's shocking."

A black and white photograph showing a close-up of a saxophone's key mechanism. A measuring tape is draped across the keys, with the numbers 4 through 14 visible. The lighting highlights the metallic surfaces and the intricate details of the instrument's construction.

An instrument technician will have to hone his skills for many years before being considered for the Signature Custom Pro workshop. Once approved they will then join the select group of specialist saxophone technicians who build each and every Signature Custom.

So proud of their work are they that each and every Signature Custom is personally tested and certified, like works of art, by the craftsman who actually built it.

UNIQUE

Create your own unique instrument by choosing from the metal and finish options listed below for your crook, body and bow/bell. Mechanism will be gold lacquered as standard. Silver-plated mechanism by special order

GOLD LACQUER

A good all round choice and the most commonly chosen finish. The lacquered brass gives a warm tone and reliable projection.

BRONZE

Popular for the players searching for that vintage type tone it gives a warm and moody sound. Great if you want an older, jazzier swing type of sound.

RED BRASS

Compared to the gold lacquer, red brass has a slightly darker sound with more 'punch' and dynamic tonal qualities. Some players say that it has a wider selection of tonal timbres than gold lacquer.

925 SILVER

The ultimate in sound for many sax players, the resonance of silver is much faster than the other available finish options giving a much broader and edgier sound. Combine the silver body with a bronze bow/bell and you have a sax that will give great dynamics with a dark and warm sound. The ultimate in sax and sound.



SPECIFICATIONS

STANDARD SPECIFICATION

Hand built in the UK to exacting tolerances

Ringed octave mechanism

Hand modified crook chamber

Strengthened crook arch

Hand engraved crook

Strengthened crook block

High quality blue needle springs

Top quality waterproof pads

Metal pad reflectors

Mechanism felt (not cork)

Double braced key mechanism

Extra adjusting crews on B-A mechanism

Right hand key bar adjusting screws

Ergonomic right and left hand mechanism

Pearl touchpieces

Angular adjustable metal thumb rest

Bell/body three point brace support

Engraved mechanism guards

Advanced bow/bell design

Gold lacquer mechanism

5 year product guarantee

Full test and certification by craftsman

AVAILABLE ENHANCEMENTS

Silver-plated mechanism

Flared bell*

Heavy bell wall*

Own design hand painted bell

Own design hand engraved bell

Pads without reflectors

*n/a in 925 silver





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ALTO

Examples of some mixed metals Signature Custom alto saxophones.



925 silver crook with rose brass body and bronze bow/bell



gold lacquer crook, body and bow/bell



925 silver crook, body and bow/bell



925 silver crook with gold lacquer body and red brass bow/bell



925 silver crook with bronze body and 925 silver bow/bell



925 silver crook with bronze body and bow/bell



Red brass crook with gold lacquer body and bow/bell

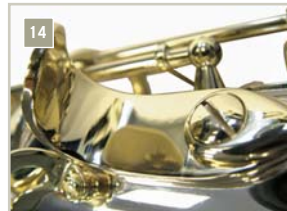


925 silver crook, body and bow/bell

Examples of some mixed metals Signature Custom tenor saxophones.

TENOR

FEATURES



- 1 Engraved crook
- 2 Strengthened crook arch
- 3 Strengthened crook receiver block
- 4 Engraved mechanism guards
- 5 Ringed octave mechanism

- 6 Felt under mechanism
- 7 Flared bell option
- 8 High quality blue needle springs
- 9 Water resistant pads with metal reflectors
- 10 Double-braced key mechanism

- 11 Extra fine adjusting screws
- 12 Engraved octave thumb rest
- 13 Ergonomic left and right hand
- 14 Adjustable metal thumb rest
- 15 Advanced bow/bell design



"Music is the shorthand of emotion."

LEO TOLSTOY

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