

THE STEP-UP DIFFERENCE



For students that wish to take their playing to the next level, Step-Up instruments offer refined sound, intonation, feel, and flexibility. But more importantly, Step-Ups are simply more fun to play!

Better Sound

Beginner oboes typically use ABS plastic to balance ease of playing, sound quality, and durability. By contrast, Step-Up oboes are often made of carefully selected Grenadilla wood to focus in on an improved, warm sound.

Select models may include resin-injected cores, adding stability throughout seasonal changes.

Effortless Pitch Control

Features such as undercut tone holes and added keys for alternate fingerings allow the instrument to play more naturally in tune, which allows the player to focus on what matters more- the music!

Our **Bravo! Rent-to-Own** program makes it easy to upgrade with low monthly payments and optional **Maintenance & Replacement** protection for peace of mind. Up to eighteen (18) months of equity may roll over from a current beginner rental. More financing options are also available; see store for details.



Pictured: Yamaha YOB441M
Intermediate-Level Oboe

Instant Response

Step-Up oboes benefit from handmade production, allowing the manufacturers to fine tune the instrument to exact specifications. The consistency of the designs results in a much more resonate oboe. Players will appreciate how air instantly turns into sound.

Improved Projection

With precise bell design & manufacturing, players will immediately notice the improved projection of the instrument.

Help with Fast Passages

Step-Up oboes will feature many additional keys when compared to their beginner-level counterparts. The most common of these is the Modified Conservatory key system, which features added octave keys, trill keys, enhanced mechanisms, and added open hole designs. This layout creates many alternate fingerings that allow the player to play tricky passages with ease.

Woodwind & Brass **Step-Up Sale**

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November 1 - November 8

The Music Shoppe of Normal
November 15 - November 22

The Music Shoppe of Champaign
November 29 - December 6

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