

Ordering a 27-string Bass Minstrel Harp

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Frequently asked questions...

What comes with the 27-string Bass Minstrel Harp?



Shown in Cherry, high-gloss
Matching Stand (optional)



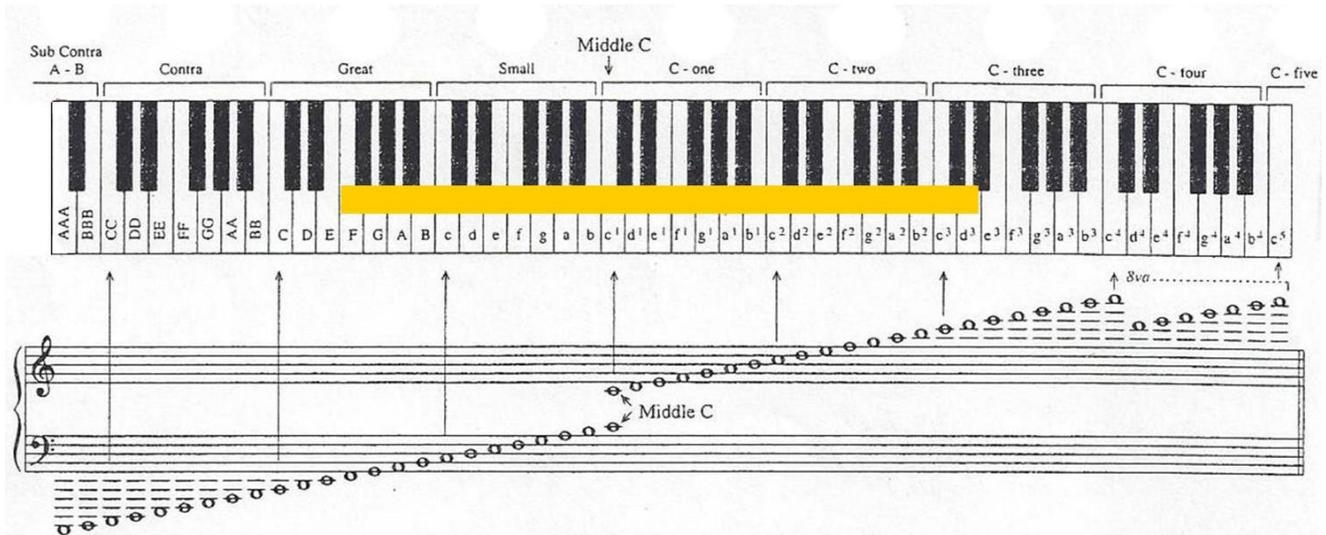
Shown in Cherry, semi-gloss
(comes with a strap)



African Mahogany, high-gloss
Matching Stand (optional)

The **27-Bass Minstrel Harp** starts at a Low F (see range chart below) and goes to a high “d” and is 35” tall, 12” wide, 25” deep, and is 8 lbs. It comes with a strap, and was designed for those who want a light weight harp that they can easily wear while doing therapy work. We give a set of nylon strings (does not include the low wound strings) and a tuning wrench. See **order form** for prices.

27-Bass Minstrel Harp — Range: F to d³



What woods (and finish) are available for this harp?

The most common woods we use are cherry and black walnut (**extra fee for walnut**) because they are light weight and local woods. If we use figured walnut (shown below), or exotic woods like African Mahogany (shown above, right) or Padauk, there is an added cost. There is an added cost for the optional matching stand, and if we use a figured or exotic wood for the stand, then there's another charge. If you want a high-gloss finish (which makes the harp shiny and darker), the cost will be more (see below). **See order form for prices.**



**Shown in Walnut, high-gloss
Matching stand (optional)**



**Shown in Walnut, semi-gloss
(comes with a strap)**



**Shown in figured Walnut, high-gloss
Matching stand (optional)**

Can I add hand-carvings to the 27-String Bass Minstrel Harp?



Hand-carvings can be added for an additional cost, which is determined based on if we have a pattern already, or if you order a different one (cost is based on how detailed the design is that you submit to us). Check out more options on the first harp page of the website under "Hand Carvings" for more ideas and prices.

What kind of levers are available for the 27-string Bass Minstrel Harp?



Silver Rees Levers

Note: You can get a full set of levers or partial (such as C+F's or C,F+B) For prices see order form.

Top: Gold Truitt Levers

Bottom: Gold Forte Levers

Top: Gold Camac Levers

Bottom: Silver Camacs

Is there a matching stand for this style harp?



Turn the knobs, and the legs are collapsible (shown here in walnut)



Bass Minstrel Stand
Shown above (collapsible, cherry, semi-gloss)
Floor Stand (pictured on right).



Floor Stand is for display, or turns the Bass Minstrel into a child-size harp.

Can I add a Mic Pick-up?

Yes, we can add a mic pick-up for an extra fee, which includes K&K Big-Twin transducers added to the inside of the sound board, and a metal jack on either the right or left side (bottom) of the harp

Where can I get a padded case?



You can purchase padded cases directly from us. We try to have some in stock, but we can order whatever color you choose from three different case makers...

**Coon Hollow Canvas
Four Seasons Case Co.
Harp Cases by Emily Aziza**

Color options are: black, maroon, purple, royal blue (shown left) & navy.
Note: Cases made by our daughter Emily come with embroidered Marini Made Harps on the pocket, unless you specify otherwise.

What type of electronic tuner do you recommend?



ENO ET-3000A Electronic Tuner

If you want to change the frequency from 440 to 432 or something different, then you'd want to get the ENO ET-3000A (shown left), so that you can change it with the arrow buttons.

Another option is to download the "Piano Tuner" app on your cell phone (which works well if you're in a quiet room by yourself).

Where do I get extra string?

We will give you an extra set of regular nylon strings and a tuning wrench. If you would like an extra set of the special low wound strings, they can be purchased from us or you can get them directly from our supplier...

Note: Just be sure to tell them you have a Marini 27-Bass Minstrel harp.

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What instructional books do you recommend?

A number of our customers have used Sylvia Wood's...

“Teach Yourself To Play the Folk Harp”
with the accompanying DVD. This course works well if you already have music background and just need harp techniques. You can purchase these from us, or get them online from either Sylvia Woods, Amazon, or MusicMaker's at... www.harpkit.com

Other recommended books are listed on our website in the “Resources” section.

www.marinimadeharps.com



How do you receive payment?

Since we are a small family business, we take credit cards only through PayPal for small harps (the PayPal service fee is added to your total). For this type of harp, our U.S. customers send us either a personal check or a bank money order made payable to Marini Made Harps. For international customers, after your order is confirmed we would email you our special bank information for payment directly to our special account that we have set up for this (a small bank fee is added to your total). So, first you would email us your request with the order form filled out, and then we will email you back an invoice with everything listed and a final total. Once this is done, then we would proceed with your harp order. If the harp you want is available, then we would ship the harp to you once we receive payment. If we still need to make the harp, then we will notify you about 1 to 2 weeks before construction begins so that you can mail (or wire) us your payment.

Thank you for your interest in our Bass Minstrel Harp... we hope that we can serve you!

The Marini Family