

Music of the Spheres Product Information

Listening to Music of the Spheres wind chimes is like taking a tonal tour of the globe. The range of scales in this collection spans familiar scales like pentatonic and Westminster, as well as exotic scales like Japanese, Balinese, and Gypsy. Founded in 1989 by Larry Roark, Music of the Spheres began as a garage operation using only hand tools and wooden clappers. Since then, it has expanded into a modern manufacturing facility in Austin, Texas, where the same handcrafted techniques are used, but just on a larger scale. In keeping with the quality and precision of Roark's early designs, all Music of the Spheres wind chimes have the following outstanding features:

- **Tempered aluminum alloy tubing:** Music of the Spheres wind chimes are made from tempered aluminum alloy tubing. Each tube is cut and tuned by hand to obtain a precision scale. Except for the whole tone scale which is set by equal temperament, these tubes are tuned using just intonation.
- **Stainless steel rings:** Heavy-gauge, polished stainless steel rings provide sturdy support and enduring beauty.
- **Corrosion-protective finish:** Formulated to resist environmental hazards like acid rain and salt air, this protective finish preserves the wind chime's appearance for years of use and admiration.
- **Tough synthetic cordage:** This cordage is highly resistant to abrasion, ultra-violet degradation, rot, and mildew.
- **Solid polyethylene clapper:** Highly durable and maintenance-free, this type of clapper creates superior tone quality.
- **Specially designed wind catcher:** Just the right size and weight, the specially designed wind catcher is made of tempered aluminum alloy. When blown by winds averaging 8-10 mph, this particular wind catcher produces optimal sound quality.
- **Variable activity level:** You can adjust the chime's activity level to suit your personal preference via the wind catcher hook assembly. If you want to turn the chime off, adjust the clapper or remove the wind catcher. This feature comes in handy at night or during storms.
- **Superior suspension technology:** Central tube suspension minimizes abrasion and renders pure harmonies. Unlike inferior tube technologies, the ends of Music of the Spheres tubes are polished to help prevent cord abrasion.

Crafted to harmonious perfection, Music of the Spheres wind chimes create an inspiring atmosphere indoors or outdoors. The clarity and depth of their tones are achieved by the finest materials, technology, and hand craftsmanship. The chimes are available in six sizes spanning four octaves, including the amazing 14-foot Basso Profundo wind chime. Durable and expertly constructed, Music of the Spheres wind chimes will stimulate your imagination as much as they stimulate your ears.

Music of the Spheres Tuning

All Music of the Spheres wind chimes are tuned to standard orchestral pitch (A 440), but they vary in pitch range according to size. The larger chimes have a lower pitch, and the smaller chimes have a higher pitch. The following diagram divides the eleven Music of the Spheres scales into two main categories - familiar and exotic - to guide your wind chime selection process. The familiar musical scales involve predominantly evenly spaced intervals, while the exotic scales mingle a variety of intervals for a slightly mystical sound.

FAMILIAR	EXOTIC
Pentatonic Quartal Chinese Mongolian Westminster	Hawaiian Japanese Balinese Whole Tone Aquarian Gypsy

As you begin your discovery into the various scales, you might find it easier to contrast the familiar scales with the exotic scales. Once you decide which category strikes your inner chord, listen to the scales in that category to narrow it down. Because each Music of the Spheres wind chime spreads its unique musical character through the air and into your ears, you might find it tough choosing a favorite. Perhaps you'll find two or three that create a pleasant ensemble. No matter which category, scale, and pitch you choose, you'll appreciate the rich tones and relaxing atmosphere created by your very own Music of the Spheres wind chime.