



Tuning:

There is a magnet under each tongue. Slide it along the length of the tongue to change the pitch. To lower the pitch, pull the magnet toward the center of the Idiopan. To raise the pitch, push the magnet away from the center of the Idiopan. An electronic chromatic tuner may be helpful. Be sure to keep the magnet in the middle of the tongue for the purest tone. Buzzing may occur if the magnet is over the edge of the tongue.

See our tuning video at www.mid-east.com/Idiopan

Playing Tips:

The best sound is achieved when the Idiopan™ rests on a soft surface, a small cushion or your lap. Do not play the Idiopan™ while it rests on a hard surface. While most drums sound louder with a harder strike, the Idiopan™ tongues are best activated by a very quick, light tap of your fingertips and the outer part of your thumb knuckles; as if the surface was hot. The most important thing to remember is to take your fingers and thumbs off the tongues as quickly as possible. The larger tongues are easily activated by both your fingertips and thumb knuckles. The smaller tongues, which are best activated by the thumb knuckles, may require a little more technique to get the feel for activating them. The sweet spot on the smaller tongues is near the bottom of the tongue. You can also use a rubber or soft-tipped mallet as a striker.



Care:

Use a damp cloth to clean the powder coated finish. Avoid using cleaners and solvents. Use a rubber protectant to clean and protect the rubber guard. Do not remove the rubber guard.

Magnet and Choking Hazard Safety Warning!

Magnets are used to tune your Idiopan™ steel tongue drum. Magnets are not toys. They are very strong and must be handled with great care. Do not let the magnets slam into each other or your Idiopan™ steel tongue drum.



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– OWNER’S GUIDE –

Welcome to the Idiopan™ steel tongue drum. The first and only steel tongue drum capable of tuning to 100’s of scales with its unique magnet tuning system, providing warm, pure, rich tones ideal for harmonizing with any instrument. Easily tune to A=440 Hz or A=432 Hz scales.

INTRODUCING THE OPUS SERIES:

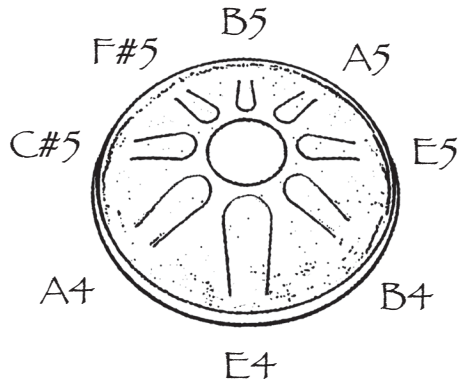
- 8-Inch 8-Note Lunabell™
- 12-Inch 8-Note Domina™
- 14-Inch 10-Note Dominus™

Lunabell™



The 8-inch 8-note Lunabell™ steel tongue drum comes tuned to the A Major pentatonic scale (E4 / A4 B4 C#5 E5 F#5 A5 B5). The Lunabell™, which is the highest voice in the Opus series, is easily tuned to the scales below and many more. An advanced magnet pack is available (sold separately) to extend the tuning range.

Lunabell: A Major pentatonic



Here is a list of scales that are easy to tune on the Lunabell™:

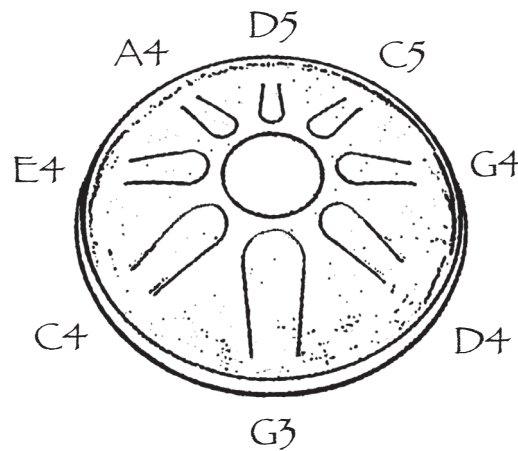
- Highest Notes F4 / A4 C5 D5 E5 G5 A5 C6
- A Major Penta E4 / A4 B4 C#5 E5 F#5 A5 B5
- A Minor Penta E4 / A4 C5 D5 E5 G5 A5 C6
- Melog-Selisir F4 / A4 Bb4 C5 E5 F5 A5 Bb5
- Akebono F4 / A4 B4 C5 E5 F5 A5 B5
- Sakura F4 / A4 Bb4 D5 E5 F5 A5 Bb5
- Raga Desya Todi F4 / A4 C5 D5 E5 F5 G5 A5
- Dominant 7th E4 / A4 B4 D5 E5 F#5 G5 A5
- Kokin-Joshi E4 / A4 Bb4 D5 E5 G5 A5 Bb5

Domina™



The 12-inch 8-note Domina™ steel tongue drum comes tuned to the C Major pentatonic scale (G3 / C4 D4 E4 G4 A4 C5 D5). The Domina™, which is the female voice of the Opus series, is easily tunable in the scales below. An advanced magnet pack is available (sold separately) to extend the tuning range.

Domina: C Major pentatonic



Here is a list of scales that are easy to tune on the Domina™:

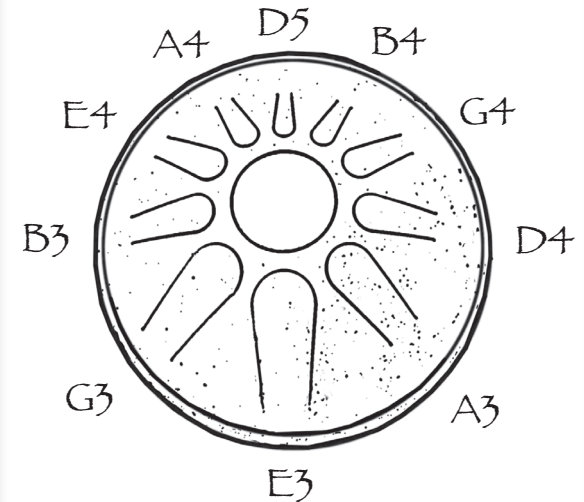
- Highest Notes G3 / C4 E4 F4 G4 B4 C5 E5
- C Major Penta G3 / C4 D4 E4 G4 A4 C5 D5
- C Minor Penta G3 / C4 Eb4 F4 G4 Bb4 C5 Eb5
- Pygmy G3 / C4 D4 Eb G4 Bb4 C5 D5
- Raga Desh G3 / C4 D4 F4 G4 B4 C5 D5
- Blues Penta Gb3 / C4 Eb4 F4 Gb4 Bb4 C5 Eb5
- Ionian Penta G3 / C4 D4 E4 G4 A4 C5 D5
- Dorian Penta G3 / C4 D4 F4 G4 Bb4 C5 D5
- Mixolydian Penta G3 / C4 D4 F4 G4 A4 C5 D5

Dominus™



The 14-inch 10-note Dominus™ steel tongue drum comes tuned to G Major pentatonic (E3 / G3 A3 B3 D4 E4 G4 A4 B4 D5). The Dominus™, which is the male voice of the Opus series, is easily tunable in the scales below. An advanced magnet pack is available (sold separately) to extend the tuning range.

Dominus: G Major pentatonic



Here is a list of scales that are easy to tune on the Dominus™:

- Highest Notes E3 / G3 B3 D4 E4 F4 G4 B4 D5 E5
- G Major Penta E3 / G3 A3 B3 D4 E4 G4 A4 B4 D5
- Thalassa E3 / G3 B3 C#4 E4 F4 G4 B4 C#5 E5
- Phrygian Penta Eb3 / G3 Bb3 C4 Eb4 F4 G4 Bb4 C5 Eb5
- Amunet Eb3 / G3 Bb3 C#4 Eb4 F4 G4 Bb4 C#5 Eb5
- Tahirah E3 / G3 A3 C4 D4 E4 G4 A4 C5 D5
- Zephyra Eb3 / G3 Bb3t D4 Eb4 F4 G4 Bb4 D5 Eb5
- Astraia Eb3 / G3 A3 C4 Eb4 F4 G4 A4 C5 Eb5
- Sotiria E3 / G3 Bb3 C4 D4 E4 G4 Bb4 C5 D5
- Xonsu E3 / G3 A3 C4 D4 E4 F#4 A4 C5 D5