



# Howarth *of* London

THE WOODWIND INSTRUMENT SPECIALISTS

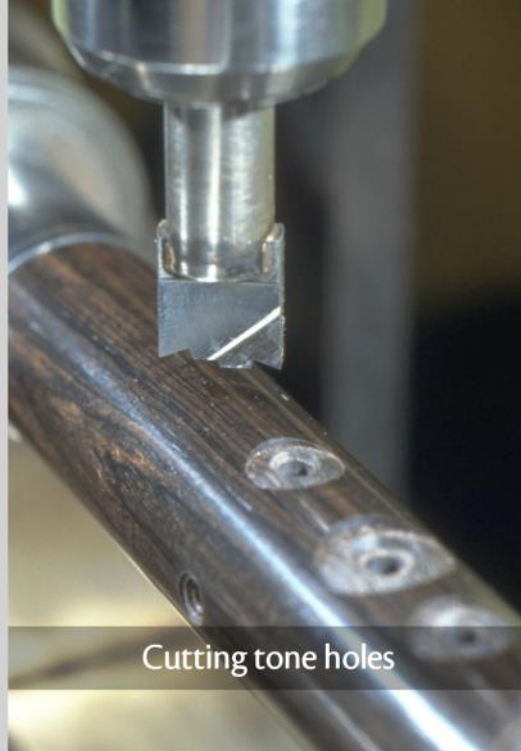
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Conserveatoire System

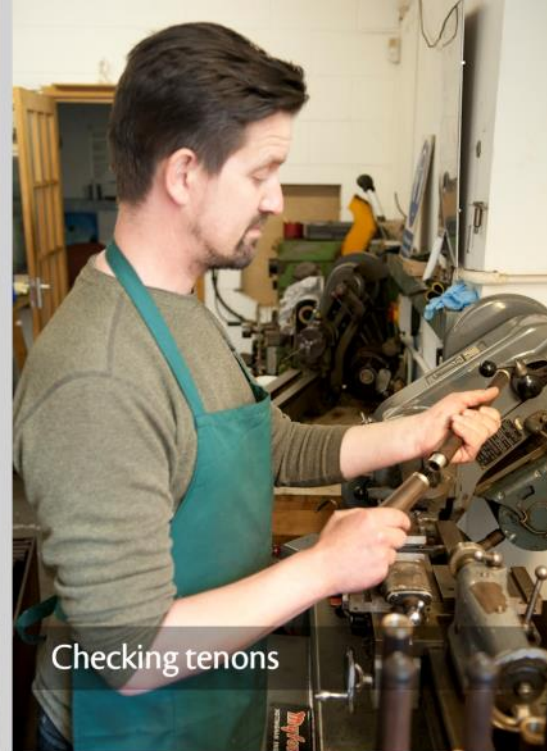




Reaming joints



Cutting tone holes



Checking tenons



Filing keys



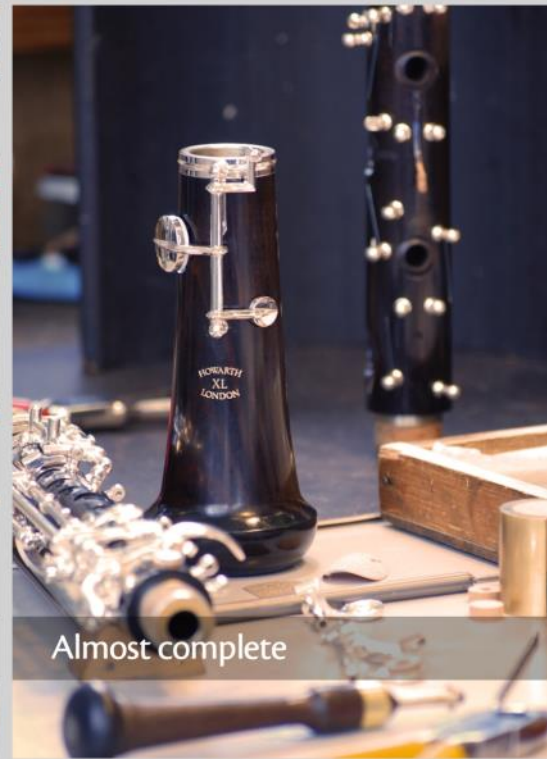
Fitting steels



Adding pads



Finishing stage



Almost complete



# Howarth Professional Oboes XL | XM | LXV

Howarth professional oboes were developed to fulfil the demands and expectations of the world's finest players. In collaboration with top oboists we have created three prestige instruments. The XL, XM and LXV, models are found in the greatest orchestras worldwide and are played by many of the finest solo artists of international repute.



The adjustable thumbrest on all Howarth professional models gives added comfort whilst playing.



Keywork is finished in a generous layer of silver plate. Gold-plating is available to special order.

Handmade by our most experienced craftsmen, the accuracy and fine tolerances used during the manufacturing stage give a clean, quick action allowing a musician to play with confidence. Each oboe has a flexible diversity of tone giving the freedom to perform with great elegance and character.



Howarth oboes have a series of adjusting screws for fine tuning.



The XL, XM and LXV oboes have a Philadelphia link, this is the double adjusting screw on the C touchpiece.

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The oboes have been carefully designed to accommodate players' individual styles and requirements, taking into consideration the desired sound and response from the instrument. The XL with its large bore and wall thickness has been developed to give a big sound with classical projection. In contrast, the XM has thinner walls than the XL and a smaller bore producing a continental dark sound. The LXV is the newest oboe in our collection and combines the thicker walls of the XL with the smaller bore of the XM to give an instrument with powerful projection and a continental dark sound.



All Howarth professional oboes have metal socket liners and metal-sleeved tenons.

Howarth professional oboes are available in either high density Grenadilla (Dalbergia melanoxylon) or in Cocobolo (Dalbergia retusa). Cocobolo is a lighter, lower density wood which produces a warm, rich palette, offering a distinct alternative in timbre. Our professional oboes have metal socket liners and metal-sleeved tenons, offering greater protection and durability to the instrument and better mechanical security. The keywork is finished in a generous layer of silver plate. Gold-plating is available to special order.



Howarth professional oboes are supplied in a bespoke solid wood case lined with green velvet.

The XL, XM and LXV oboes are supplied in a bespoke solid wood case lined with green velvet. The case is protected by a Howarth professional oboe case cover. The instrument is supplied with premium accessories, including a grease pot and a screwdriver with wooden embellishment, made and designed in our workshops.



XL Oboe

XM Oboe

LXV Oboe

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For further information about the instruments in this brochure including prices, please contact:

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### Thanks

*We would like to acknowledge and thank Alberto Castellani for his design on the new octave boxes we manufacture for our oboes.*

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