

The Oboe



The oboe is a member of the woodwind family. The oboe is a very old instrument. It is also a member of the double reed family. Its mouthpiece uses two thin pieces of bamboo, which are fastened together with silk thread. This special kind of reed is called a “double reed,” which makes it a member of the double reed family. The oboe is a difficult instrument to play, and it’s hard for musicians to produce a good sound. It has a nasal sound and generally plays very high notes.

1. Which two families does the oboe belong to?

2. What is the mouthpiece of the oboe called?

3. What is the mouthpiece made of?

4. What type of sound does the oboe have?