



The Rothsay Education Centre

Recorders

What Recorder do I buy?

I have asked all beginners to buy a Treble recorder (rather than the ubiquitous Descant recorder that most people played at school). The reason for this is that although bigger, it has a lovely tone and is more pleasant on the ear when you are learning!

It is 1.5 times the size of the descant recorder and the sound that it makes and the repertoire for this recorder is absolutely marvellous. There is so much music you can play, and, of course you can play in ensembles, such as the established group at the Rothsay Education Centre once you have got going. First of all, I would recommend that you listen to Sarah Jeffery's short recording on different plastic recorders on You Tube - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l7WcCug7Cvk>

I would recommend getting an Alto/Treble plastic recorder with Baroque fingering and would suggest that either of the Yamaha recorders that she demonstrates would be a very good buy for learning to play and would last you for many years. They, just sound slightly different but both nice and are around £30 to buy.



Yamaha YRA-402B Alto Recorder Eco

Don't worry about the music, I will provide music as we go along. It would be useful for you to have a music stand to practise at home although there are stands in the Centre for rehearsals.

An A4 slim ring binder for your music would also be useful.

Kind Regards

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