



tribute to bird

DRAGON BIRD / ASIA

- ▶ "DRAGON BIRD" COLLECTOR SERIES III SOPRANO SAXOPHONE
- ▶ "DRAGON BIRD" COLLECTOR REFERENCE ALTO SAXOPHONE
- ▶ "DRAGON BIRD" COLLECTOR REFERENCE 54 TENOR SAXOPHONE
- ▶ "DRAGON BIRD" SERIES III ALTO SAXOPHONE, LIMITED EDITION
- ▶ "DRAGON BIRD" SERIES III TENOR SAXOPHONE, LIMITED EDITION



tribute to bird "dragon bird"

2011-2012 / ASIA / EDITION V / REFERENCE & SERIES III

Emotion was there every time the Bird perched on Charlie's shoulder. Then a soft breathing was heard, a sound coloured with mattness, as if the pigment of Charlie's complexion had blended into the buoyant whistling of the Bird. One day, one day however, Charlie and the Bird melted into one, body and soul, one and only.



For the first time in the history of the world of instrument making, the Henri SELMER Paris company proposed to saxophone players a collection in tribute to the free spirit of Charlie "Bird" Parker, tinged with broadened views in music and creative energy. Launched in 2005, 50 years after the death of the mythical Charlie Parker (1920-1955), the tribute to Bird collection celebrates Charlie "Bird" Parker's life in tribute to the initiatory approach he inspired in the world of Jazz. To pay this tribute, five editions signed Selmer Paris and symbolized by a Bird proposed a poetical image of a continent and its culture through a specific engraving and an original design, crafted in the Selmer Paris workshops. A case and customized accessories have also given a touch of class to this elegant whole.



After the hummingbird of Edition I-Hummingbird/America (2005), the kookaburra of Edition II-Kookaburra/Australia (2006), the pink flamingo of Edition III-Flamingo/Africa (2007), the firebird of Edition IV-Firebird/Europe (2008-2010), the tribute to Bird finally folds its wings with the Dragon Bird/Asia (2011-2012) symbolizing the Asian continent for the fifth and last edition ending this unique collection.





"dragon bird" Collector



"dragon bird" Limited edition



MODELS	"DRAGON BIRD" COLLECTOR "SERIES III" SOPRANO	"DRAGON BIRD" COLLECTOR "REFERENCE" ALTO	"DRAGON BIRD" COLLECTOR "REFERENCE 54" TENOR	"DRAGON BIRD" EDITION "SERIES III" ALTO	"DRAGON BIRD" EDITION "SERIES III" TENOR
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FEATURES		With high F sharp	With high F sharp	With high F sharp	With high F sharp
LACQUER	"Dragon Bird" Gold lacquer	"Dragon Bird" Gold lacquer	"Dragon Bird" Gold lacquer	Gold lacquer	Gold lacquer
BELL/BOW ENGRAVING	Genuine "Dragon Bird" Collector	Genuine "Dragon Bird" Collector	Genuine "Dragon Bird" Collector	"Dragon Bird"	"Dragon Bird"
NECK	"S" brass colour background on both necks	"Bird" engraving, "S" brass colour background	"Bird" engraving, "S" brass colour background	"S" brass colour background	"S" brass colour background
MOTHER- OF-PEARLS	Black	Black	Black	Black	Black
LIMITED SERIAL NR	Engraved on the body-to-bell ring: S xxx	Engraved on the body-to-bell ring: A xxx	Engraved on the body-to-bell ring: T xxx		
SELMER PARIS MOUTHPIECE	Super Session	Super Session or Soloist	Super Session or Soloist	SD20	SD20
SELMER PARIS LIGATURE & CAP	Gold lacquer	Gold lacquer	Gold lacquer	Gold lacquer	Gold lacquer
CASE	"Dragon Bird" Collector, black	"Dragon Bird" Collector, black	"Dragon Bird" Collector, black	"Dragon Bird" Pro-Light, black	"Dragon Bird" Pro-Light, black
POUCH		Embroidered silk	Embroidered silk		
STRAP	Leather, "Bird"	Leather, "Bird"	Leather, "Bird"	"Bird"	"Bird"
CLEANING SWAB & CLOTH	"Dragon Bird"	"Dragon Bird"	"Dragon Bird"	"Dragon Bird"	"Dragon Bird"
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1922 1926 1930 1934 1936 1948 1954 **1955** 1974 1981 1986 1996 2000 2003 **2005 2006 2007 2008-10 2011-12**

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Charlie
Parker's
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Hummingbird Reference Alto
Kookaburra Reference Alto / Kookaburra Reference 54 Tenor

Flamingo Reference Alto, without high F sharp / Firebird Reference 36 Tenor, without high F sharp

Firebird Reference Alto, without & with high F sharp / Firebird Reference 54 Tenor without high F sharp / Firebird Sa80 SII Alto / Firebird Series III Alto / Dragon Bird Series III Alto / Dragon Bird Series III Alto / Dragon Bird Series III In Incor



"Birdland"

Jazz Club (New York City), named in honor of Charlie Parker. (Credit @ Rue des Archives/ABC)

