Music - Orchestral instruments

Musical style: Orchestral

Orchestral music is music that is played by an orchestra. It is usually classical or film music but sometimes orchestras play other types of music too.

| strings | Instruments that are played by plucking or bowing strings. |
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| woodwind | Instruments that make sound by blowing air through a reed or small mouthpiece. |
| brass | Instruments that are made of metal and the sound is made by blowing air through a cup-shaped mouthpiece. |
| percussion | Instruments which are played by shaking, tapping or scraping with your hand or a beater. |
| dynamics | The volume of the music (loud or quiet). |
| sound effects | A sound created to represent something in a film, television programme or a play. |
| tempo | The speed of the music (fast or slow). |
| timbre | The quality of sound e.g. smooth, scratchy, twinkly. |
| vocals | Using your voice in a piece of music. |

Instruments



orchestra A group of instruments that play together.

