

# Pi SteelPan Drum Care & Tuning Warranty

Congratulations on purchasing your new Pi SteelPan Drum. The SteelPan is constructed from tempered Australian steel that has been treated with nitride at 510°C to protect against rusting. It is a finely tuned and delicate instrument that may go out of tune if not cared for and handled correctly and is designed to be played by hand only.

Your SteelPan has been meticulously tuned with each tone field containing 3 notes - the tonic, the octave and the colour. The colour can be the 3rd or the 5th, but mostly below the octave the colour note is the fifth and above the octave the colour note is the third.

## **STORAGE**

Keep your Pi out of the case in a sun free, indoor spot while not in transit. This is important as moisture can build up inside the case and cause rust spots over time.

## **THINGS TO AVOID**

- leaving your instrument in the sun
- wearing rings while playing
- heavy hitting
- sticks or mallets, unless soft and played with care
- knocks and drops

## **DO NOT LEAVE IN THE SUN**

If you do accidentally, don't play it whilst it's hot. Let it cool down and it will be fine.

## **OILING**

This handpan has been nitrided and has 2 very thin layers of pure tung oil as protection from rust. We have included a small bottle of Tung Oil for ongoing maintenance. Using a soft cloth gently wipe a thin layer over the handpan, being sure not to apply any pressure. Then wipe it all off until there are no streaks remaining. Check for streaks in the light. We recommend oiling 3-4 times per year.

## **TUNING WARRANTY**

Your Pi SteelPan Drum comes with a 12 month Warranty from the manufacturer. The first tune is free, unless physically damaged. Owner pays all postage fees to and from the manufacturer.

If your SteelPan requires tuning in the future please contact us by emailing us for full instructions [life@threeworlds.com.au](mailto:life@threeworlds.com.au)