



Fisher Harps



Éireann I String Chart North American Edition 2024

String#	Savarez Part#	
A1	HPK45	3 string lengths
G2	HPK45	
F3	HPK47B	
E4	HPK47	2 string lengths
D5	HPK52	
C6	HPK55R	
B7	HPK55	1 string length
A8	HPK57	
G9	HPK62	
F10	HPK66B	2 string lengths
E11	HPK66	
D12	HPK69	
C13	HPK74R	1 string length
B14	HPK77	
A15	HPK81	
G16	HPK86	2 string lengths
F17	HPK91B	
E18	HPK91	
D19	HPK95	1 string length
C20	HPK101R	
B21	HPK105	
A22	HPK108A	2 string lengths
G23	HPK121A	
F24	HPK127BA	
E25	HPK140A	1 string length
D26	HPK150A	

Savarez Bass Wires		Custom-made Bass Wires	
Part #	Specifications	Part #	Specifications
C27	J27	J27	.022/5/.005 SFC Red
B28	J28	J28	.022/6/.005 SFC
A29	J29	J29	.022/3/.008 SFC
G30	J30	J30	.022/5/.008 SFC
F31	J31	J31	.022/5/.010 SFC Blue
E32	J32	J32	.024/5/.010 SFC
D33	J33	J33	.024/5/.012 SFC
C34	J34	J34	.024/5/.015 SFC Red

Part #	Specifications	V.L.
C27	J27	33.50"
B28	J28	34.50"
A29	J29	35.50"
G30	J30	36.75"
F31	J31	38.00"
E32	J32	39.00"
D33	J33	40.00"
C34	J34	41.00"

Note: Custom bass wires nomenclature: VL=Vibrating Length, S=Steel, F=Fiber, C=Copper

String Suppliers

Savarez Alliance KF

("fluorocarbon", "carbon fiber", "carbon", "synthetic gut")

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Notes:

I.M.S. is the main supplier for Savarez harp strings in the U.S.A. Savarez, a major maker of musical instrument strings based in Lyon, France, developed the Alliance fluorocarbon string in concert with Kureha Corporation of Japan, who invented fluorocarbon in 1970. The combination of solvent & water resistance along with higher density make this material especially suited for musical instrument strings. Many harpers and harp makers refer to this kind of string as 'carbon' or 'carbon fiber', though fluorocarbon is the technically correct term. The actual scientific name is polyvinylende fluoride or PVDF.

You will notice that the strings from the HPK150RA to HPK101R Are composed of strands of fiber, and have the look and feel of gut, so they are sometimes referred to as 'synthetic gut'. Do not get alarmed if you see these strands separate a bit at the tuning pin when you are winding the string up to pitch, as this is a normal occurrence. As long as the separated fibers don't go past the bridge pin, there'll be no affect on the tone.

It is possible to replace a broken string with a string above or below it on the string chart should you lack a spare at the time.

Bass Wires

The Savarez String Company makes a full range of bass wires for the Celtic Harp, and these could also be installed on your harp. Savarez Bass Wires for Celtic Harp may be obtained from **Vanderbilt Music**. Please note that the Savarez 'C' and 'F' bass wires are copper-coloured, not the red and blue respectively that many people are used to. If you wish to have custom-made bass wires on your harp, I've listed the specifications on the chart, so that the string maker can make the proper gauge of string.

North Shore Strings or **Markwood Strings** are the preferred string suppliers for custom-made bass wires. Please mail them a copy of your string chart, as they may not have one on file for your harp. You may also access a PDF file of this chart on my website, under 'Strings'. This PDF may then be e-mailed to the string maker.

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