

# *Fisher Harps*

## *Eireann I & III* String Comparison Chart

<b>Note</b>	<b>Oct.</b>	<b>Eireann I</b>	<b>Eireann III</b>
A1	1	HPK45	HPK45
G2	1	HPK45	HPK45
F3	1	HPK47B	HPK47B
E4	1	HPK47	HPK47
D5	1	HPK52	HPK52
C6	1	HPK55R	HPK55R
B7	1	HPK55	HPK55
A8	2	HPK57	HPK57
G9	2	HPK62	HPK62
F10	2	HPK66B	HPK66B
E11	2	HPK66	HPK66
D12	2	HPK69	HPK69
C13	2	HPK74R	HPK74R
B14	2	HPK77	HPK77
A15	3	HPK81	HPK81
G16	3	HPK86	HPK86
F17	3	HPK91B	HPK91B
E18	3	HPK91	HPK91
D19	3	HPK95	HPK95
C20	3	HPK101R	HPK101R
B21	3	HPK105	HPK105
A22	4	HPK108	HPK108
G23	4	HPK121	HPK121
F24	4	HPK127B	HPK127B
E25	4	HPK140	HPK140
D26	4	HPK150	HPK150
C27	4	J27/SFC	HPK160R
B28	4	J28/SFC	J28/SFC
A29	5	J29/SFC	J29/SFC
G30	5	J30/SFC	J30/SFC
F31	5.	J31/SFC	J31/SFC
E32	5	J32/SFC	J32/SFC
D33	5	J33/SFC	J33/SFC
C34	5	J34/SFC	J34/SFC

HPK=Savarez Alliance KF strings  
J27-J34=Savarez Bass Wires for Celtic Harp  
SFC=Custom strings

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## Custom Bass Wires

<u>Note</u>	<u>Wrap Specifications</u>	<u>V.L.</u>
C27	.018/6/.005 SFC Red	33.50"
B28	.018/7/.005 SFC	34.50"
A29	.018/5/.008 SFC	35.50"
G30	.018/6/.008 SFC	36.75"
F31	.020/6/.010 SFC Blue	38.00"
E32	.020/7/.010 SFC	39.00"
D33	.022/5/.012 SFC	40.00"
C34	.022/5/.015 SFC Red	41.00"

VL=Vibrating Length, S=Steel, F=Fiber, C=Copper

## String Suppliers

### International Music Service

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### Notes:

Savarez is major maker of musical instrument strings based in Lyon, France. They helped to develop the Alliance fluorocarbon string in concert with Kureha Corporation, of Japan, who invented fluorocarbon in 1970 ('KF'=Kureha Fluorocarbon). 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 polyvinylidene fluoride or PVDF.

You will notice that the strings from HPK160RA 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.

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