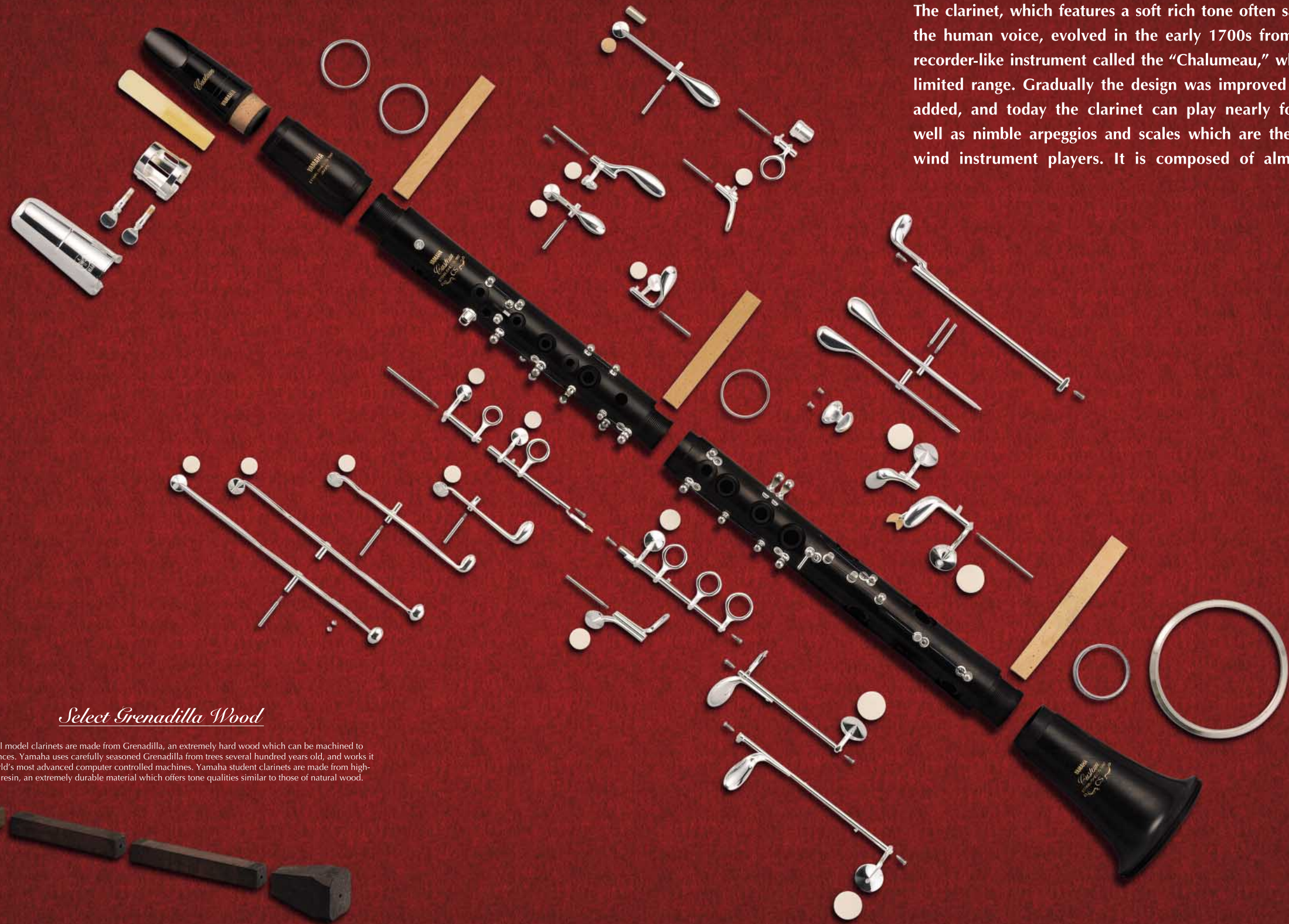




ANATOMY OF THE CLARINET

The clarinet, which features a soft rich tone often said to resemble the human voice, evolved in the early 1700s from a single-reed, recorder-like instrument called the "Chalumeau," which had a very limited range. Gradually the design was improved and keys were added, and today the clarinet can play nearly four octaves, as well as nimble arpeggios and scales which are the envy of other wind instrument players. It is composed of almost 280 parts.



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