

Elise v Troubadour (24th May 2024)

	Price	Weight	Across The Flats	Bellows Closed	Between buttons (same row)	Between buttons (nearest diagonal)	Between buttons (octaves)	Bellows	Hand straps	Max hand strap height
<b>Elise</b>	£479.00	3 lbs/ 1.36 kg	7.2 inches/ 183 mm	7.1 inches/ 180 mm	.6 inch/ 17 mm	.5 inch/ 12 mm	.7 inch/ 18 mm	7 cardboard?	Leather	3.7 inches/ 94 mm
<b>Troubadour</b>	£1799.00	2 lbs 6 ounces/ 1.07 kg	6.25 inches/ 159 mm	5.2 inches/ 131 mm	.6 inch/ 17 mm	.5 inch/ 12 mm	.7 inch/ 18 mm	6 leather	Leather	2.9 inches/ 73 mm
<b>Difference</b>	The Elise is 27% the price of the Troubadour	Elise is 1 ounce/29 grams heavier	Elise is .9 inch/24 mm wider	Elise is 2 inches/49 mm wider	Zero	Zero	Zero	N/a	N/a	Elise has .8 inch/21 mm more room between the side and the strap. <i>The way mine is set, the Elise has .1 inch/3 mm more room.</i>
<b>General</b>	The Troubadour is far more responsive and has a better tone. The bellows on the Elise are stiffer which has its advantages and disadvantages. On the Troubadour, the bellows open and close far quicker (only 6 fold) so you have to change direction more often. Due to the shorter straps, the Troubadour definitely feels more cramped to me but please note: I have very long fingers!! The Troubadour is a lot more money than the Elise but the quality is undeniable. Having said that, the Elise is a great concertina for the money and a good way to get into Hayden duet playing to see if you like it.									