


TONE 6 SAX AND FLUTE – NOTE BENDING

Learning to note bend gives us greater control of our tuning. We bend the notes by widening the back of our throat and relaxing our jaw (saxophone) or by widening the back of the throat and changing the angle of our air (flute).

- When you bend the note down hold it steady at the lower pitch for two beats before rising.
- Use a tuner at all times to check whether the top and bottom notes are in tune.
- Play very slowly and carefully. Aim for a smooth and gradual bend.

1. How far below C can you bend? Can you bend lower than A

play as written
bend the note



5 play as written
bend the note



9 play as written
bend the note



2. It gets harder to bend notes the lower we go.

play as written
bend the note
sim.



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