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Violin Kit



Kit Contents

- Violin in case with strap
- Includes bow, bridge, and rosin

In attached blue bag:

- Book: *Play Violin Today*
- Snark Tuner & instructions in small plastic bag

Note: Please do not replace broken strings
See reverse side for care and maintenance instructions

Recommended for grades 1-5

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Violin Care and Instrument Maintenance

- Tighten your violin bow before playing by gently turning the tension screw. Avoid making the bow hairs too taut---the separation between the bow stick and hair should be about the width of a pencil.
- Put a small amount of [rosin](#) on your bow before playing. Hold the rosin in your left hand, place the bow hairs flat on the rosin and slowly move the bow back and forth on the rosin.
- If you do not have enough rosin on your bow, your bow will slide across the strings and produce very little or no sound. Too much rosin can produce a raspy, scratching sound, and can result in rosin caking the strings.
- After playing the violin, gently clean it with a soft, clean, lint-free cloth to remove rosin build-up on the strings and any dust, oil or sweat on your instrument, including the chinrest.
- When you are not using your violin and bow, always place them in your case. They can easily fall and become damaged if you leave them on a chair or another surface, even temporarily.
- Loosen the hair on your bow before putting it back in the case.
- Make sure you have securely closed your instrument case with any zippers and latches before picking up your instrument case.
- Do not store your violin in extreme hot or cold locations, and never leave your instrument in direct sunlight or in the trunk of your car on a warm day (the heat could melt the varnish).