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).