

SONATINA

Description: Sonatina Strings is a privately owned string instrument maker (luthier). All instruments are hand made and of superior quality. Our owner (a professional cellist and collegiate level string professor) hand picked this line after playing nearly 30 other competing brands/makes of known excellent quality. Level of instrument, indicated by higher number (60, 100, 300, 500E), is determined by level of craftsmanship and materials with resulting better action, sound, projection and tone quality.

Construction: All Sonatina instruments are made of premium Spruce top and flame Maple back, along with ribs, neck, scroll and all body parts. Ebony pegs, fingerboard and chinrest. Strings on each instrument are of comparable and appropriate quality and level of the instrument.

Hand-picked wood:

- Student level aged 5-7 years
- Student-Intermediate level aged 7-10 years
- Intermediate level aged 10-12 years
- Professional Level aged 15+ years

“E” Designation represents exclusively European wood construction

“A” Designation represent and antique finish

Bow: A bow of comparable quality has been included with this instrument at no additional cost

Case: A case of comparable quality has been included with this instrument at no additional cost

Otto Bruchner:

Construction: Maple and Spruce wood used for body, neck, bridge and scroll. Ebony and Boxwood, Rosewood for smaller parts (pegs, inner supports, etc.). Tailpieces and chinrests are a variety of Ebony, generic hardwood and plastic/fiberglass mix with wither plastic or metal fine tuning mechanisms. Some of these auxiliary parts have been replaced and may include high grade plastic pieces. Strings are predominantly Prelude, with Red Label and Snowball also used. Bruchner student instruments are some of the most robust student violins/violas/cellos made, which is why they comprise the vast majority of our rental and gently used inventory. Their baseline student instrument (which is all that we are auctioning) are considered “step-up” compared to the vast majority of student instruments that are largely machined processed. Bruchner instruments are white-body violins finished by hand.

Condition:

- Body:
- Strings: Variable condition, but operable.
- Bow: If a bow is included (most include bow, however, pricing does not include bow) it will be a variable condition ranging from fair to good. Please see additional comments.

- Case: All cases have been included at no additional charge. Cases will vary in condition from poor to good. Please see additional comments.

Herman Beyer

Construction: Maple and Spruce wood used for body, neck, bridge and scroll. Ebony, Rosewood and Boxwood for smaller parts (pegs, plug, etc.). Tailpieces and chinrests are a variety of Ebony, generic hardwood and plastic or metal fine tuning mechanisms. Some of these auxiliary parts have been replaced and may include high grade plastic pieces. Strings are predominantly Prelude, with Red Label and Snowball also used. Beyer student instruments are some of the most robust student violins/violas/cellos made, which is why they comprise the vast majority of our rental and gently used inventory. Their baseline student instrument (which is all that we are auctioning) are considered “step-up” compared to the vast majority of student instruments that are largely machined processed. Beyer instruments are white-body violins finished by hand.

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West Coast Strings:

Construction: Maple and Spruce wood used for body, neck, bridge and scroll. Ebony, Rosewood and Boxwood for smaller parts (pegs, plug, etc.). Tailpieces and chinrests are a variety of Ebony, generic hardwood and plastic or metal fine tuning mechanisms. Some of these auxiliary parts have been replaced and may include high grade plastic pieces. Strings are predominantly Prelude, with Red Label and Snowball also used. West Coast student instruments are some of the most robust student violins/violas/cellos made, which is why they comprise the vast majority of our rental and gently used inventory. Their baseline student instrument (which is all that we are auctioning) are considered “step-up” compared to the vast majority of student instruments that are largely machined processed. West coast instruments are white-body violins finished by hand.

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Knilling (St. Louis String Company)

Construction: Composite body construction made of a high grade wood laminate. The Knilling brand in particular has become increasingly popular because of its reduced cost, yet performance and sound that rivals comparable quality natural-wooden string instruments. Pegs, plugs, tailpiece, chinrest and other auxiliary parts are made of varying hardwoods such as Ebony, Boxwood and Rosewood, and well as high grade plastic. Because of the high quality laminate used, Knilling instruments tend to hold up remarkably well and do not present nicks/scratches/dings and prominently as all-wood violins do.

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Other String Brands

Construction: Factory constructed student instrument made from a variety of Maple, Spruce, Boxwood, Rosewood, other generic hardwoods and/or high-grade composite wood parts (i.e. laminate). Auxiliary parts such as pegs, plugs, tailpiece, chinrest and other parts are made of varying hardwoods (i.e. Ebony) and plastic components.

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