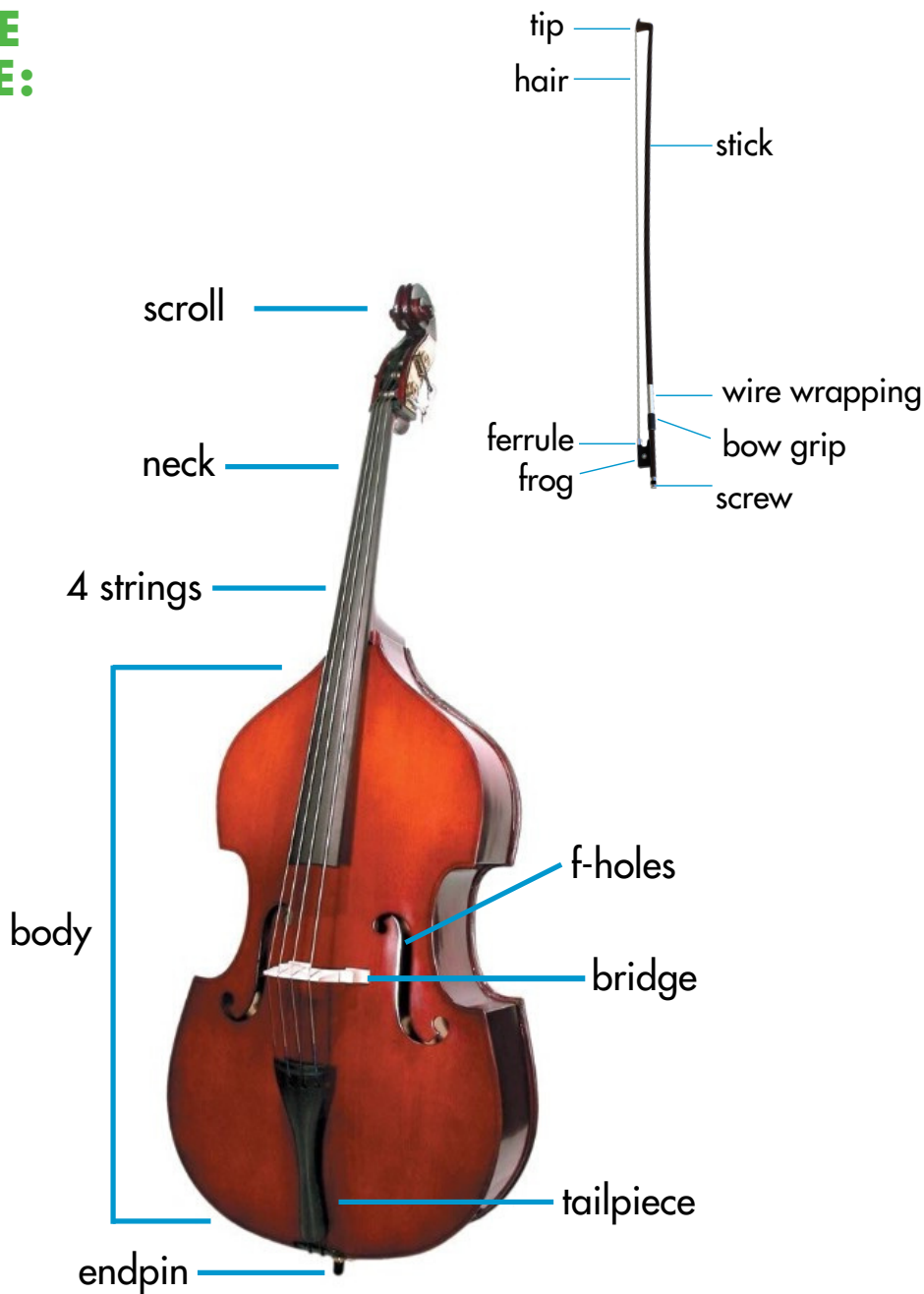


CARING FOR YOUR DOUBLE BASS

TAKING YOUR DOUBLE BASS OUT OF ITS CASE:

1. Lay your double bass case on its side on the floor or on a table with the zipper facing up.
2. Un-zip the case and carefully remove your bass with one hand, holding it by the neck and by the body.
3. Holding your bass by the neck in your left hand and the body in your right hand, gently place your bass on the ground on its side. Then loosen and adjust the endpin until the endpin is at the length it typically is for you.
4. Now carefully pick up your bass with the neck in your left hand and the body in your right hand. With the bass upright, the endpin on the floor, and holding your bass by the neck in your left hand, use your right hand to take out the bow.
5. If needed, slightly tighten the screw of the bow to place a small amount of tension in the bow hair.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- Slightly loosen the screw of the bow when not in use.
- Bases are very sensitive to temperature. Store your base in a temperature-controlled environment, never leave it in your car.
- There are many moving parts on your bass that can be pulled out or unscrewed. These are for your teachers or an instrument repair professional to handle.

WHAT NOT TO DO WITH YOUR DOUBLE BASS:

- Touch the bass bridge or the hair of the bow. Always hold your bow by the stick.
- Place your bow on the floor.
- Place your bass on its front or back. Please only rest your bass on its side.
- Swing around any parts of your instrument.
- Use your bow as a pointer, cane, walking stick, or to move objects.
- Leave your bass in the car or other place where it can be stolen.
- Place any object into your bass.
- Attempt to tune your instrument. Your teachers are professionals who can do it in a breeze!

