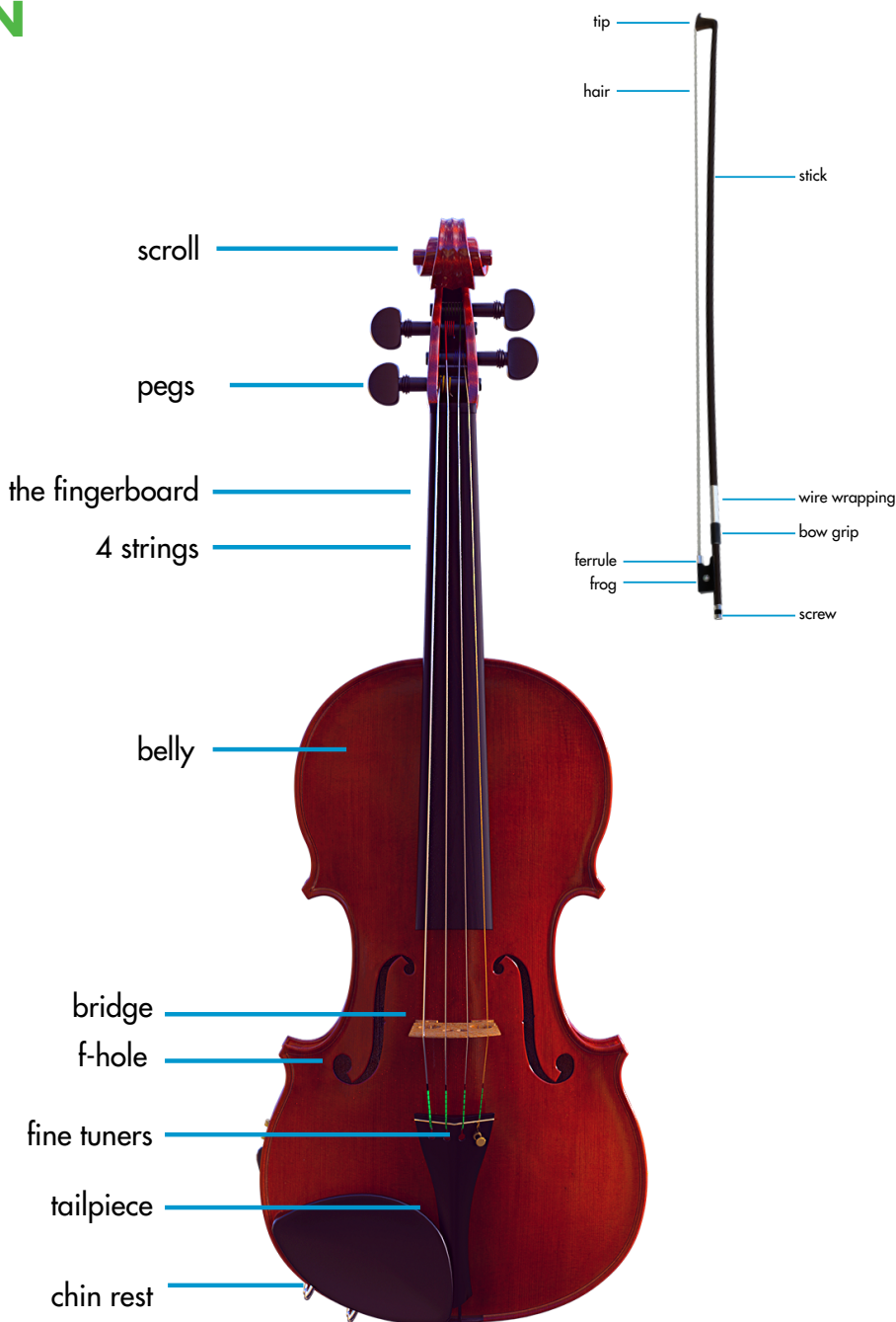


CARING FOR YOUR VIOLIN

TAKING YOUR VIOLIN OUT OF ITS CASE:

1. Lay your violin case flat on the floor or on a table with the label facing up, then carefully open your case.
2. Use your right hand to grab your violin by the fingerboard.
3. Hold your violin by the belly underneath your arm and support it with your hands.
4. Carefully unlatch your bow from the lid of the case and remove it by lightly lifting the frog and pulling it out toward the bottom of the case.
5. Be careful, as the tip can break against the case.
6. If needed, turn the bow to face the hair up and turn the screw to the right to add tension to the hair.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

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

WHAT NOT TO DO WITH YOUR VIOLIN:

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

