Questions and answers about violin building

Bows

- My bow is losing hair!
- My bow can no longer be tightened!
- The hairs no longer properly grip the strings while playing!

Violins

- My Violin rattles!
- My varnish has become dull and gummy!
- Inexplicable scratches are occurring on the bottom of the violin cover!
- How must the bridge be positioned?
- The bridge is no longer straight after tightening the strings!
- Where must the sound post be positioned?
- Do I own a genuine Stradivarius?
- My pegs no longer hold properly. They slip and cant be turned!
- Problems in Winter
- String Studies
- Which string is recommended for my instrument?
- How did Stradivari build his intruments?

Answers

Inexplicable scratches are occurring on the bottom of the violin cover!

Check to see whether the frog of your bow touches the belly of your violin while you stow it in the carrying case and close the lid. Frequently the bow storage device in the case is broken. If the damage is near or under the tailpiece, you should check to see if the tuner screws are screwed too tightly and are damaging the belly. It might be necessary to have the screw thread shortened so that they dont touch the cover even at their maximum position.

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