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Beginner Viola Outfits – Selection Guide

Kreisler Eastman Gliga

Price Range for Beginner Violas \$550 - \$1199

It is definitely a better option to select an actual viola for young students rather than simply re-string a small violin for the job. Violins are simply not designed to play the lowest string (C), nor do they produce the characteristic “viola sound” students need to be working with.

All our student violas are made from solid wood with ebony fingerboard, pegs and purfling. All have been professionally “set-up” with strings upgraded and are supplied with a high-quality bow and sturdy, good quality case.

We encourage parents to bring students in for a fitting/testing session to ascertain the best size and quality. Sizes vary from brand to brand and we are able to advise how long a given size should be appropriate to allow you to make the best decision between renting and purchase options.

Kreisler — An ideal instrument for beginners or school programs, the Kreisler series is well built, reliable, and produces a warm, mellow tone. Its ebony pegs and modern tailpiece make tuning easier, eliminating the hassles normally associated with cheaper violas. These instruments are beautifully hand crafted and professionally set up by our luthiers **Rents for \$8.75 per week.**

Samuel Eastman — The Samuel Eastman series utilizes quality tonewoods and expert hand-craftsmanship. This comes with a very strong reputation in the student violin world. Fully set-up with superior strings. Supplied with good quality bow and case. **Rents for \$8.75 per week.**

Gliga III — Our best and most popular beginner’s viola! You simply can’t go wrong with this model. Hand crafted in Romania from Spruce and Maple with hand applied oil varnish finish. These instruments provide quality of sound and craftsmanship to beginning and advancing players. Fully set-up with high grade strings. Supplied with a high quality bow and case. **Rents for \$10.00 per week.**

Gliga II — An excellent choice for a more serious player or for those ready to really improve their sound. Hand crafted in Romania using a higher-grade of timber than their student instruments, the Gliga II gives a richer, more complex tone for advancing players. Completed with a “deluxe” outfit, an upgraded bow, strings and case. this violin is a must to include in your selection. **Rents for \$12.50 per week.**

All of these models are in stock.

All instruments may be purchased using our three part payment option or hired in the first instance purchasing later and receiving the rent back towards the final price.

We can usually offer ex-rental instruments if you prefer to buy second hand. These are all near new and have had a full inspection/adjustment before offering them for sale.

Come on in and play for us.