



# Amadeus Strings

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## Quality Violin, Viola, Cello & Bass Rentals

### EXCEPTIONAL QUALITY STRING INSTRUMENTS & SERVICE

Highly recommended by string teachers for our consistency of high quality instruments and service, Amadeus Strings specializes in the rental of string instruments to students throughout the Hudson Valley. We are a family owned business and are proud to offer personal and individualized attention to every student.

At Amadeus Strings, we offer only high quality handmade violins, violas, cellos & basses from beginning through advanced students. Since we specialize in bowed string instruments, all of our instruments are expertly maintained and set up with the finest strings, bridges, and fittings possible. **All new rentals are delivered to the student's school prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> week of September if contract is received by August 1, 2020.** Insurance is included in your rental fee, protecting you in case of damage or theft of the instrument. In the event the instrument requires repair, we provide a loaner instrument free of extra charge.

Amadeus Strings is a full-service string shop, conveniently located near Route 55 and the Taconic State Parkway in the town of Poughkeepsie. Our experienced staff can assist you with any necessary repairs, string replacements, or size exchanges. Additionally, we carry a wide variety of accessories for purchase, including shoulder rests, music books, rosin, cases & strings.

### INVESTING IN YOUR CHILD'S MUSICAL FUTURE

Our equity program allows you to apply a percentage of your rental fee towards the purchase of any violin, viola, cello or bass from Amadeus Strings. In addition to our superior quality rental instruments, we also carry a wide range of hand-selected intermediate and professional-grade instruments and bows for the advancing student. Equity accrues at 100% of the first year's rental fee (excluding insurance and tax), 40% of the second year, and 20% of each consecutive year.

## Amadeus Strings Rental Pricing

<u>Violin Rental</u> (all sizes)	<u>Viola Rental</u> (up through 15" size*)	<u>Cello Rental</u> (up through 3/4 size*)	<u>Bass Rental</u> (Inquire for availability)
<b>12-month contract:</b> <b>\$20 per month</b> <b>(\$60 billed quarterly)</b>	<b>12-month contract:</b> <b>\$25 per month</b> <b>(\$75 billed quarterly)</b>	<b>12-month contract:</b> <b>\$45 per month</b> <b>(\$135 billed quarterly)</b>	<b>12-month contract:</b> <b>\$75 per month</b> <b>(\$225 billed quarterly)</b>
10-month contract: \$21 per month (\$63 billed quarterly)	10-month contract: \$26 per month (\$78 billed quarterly)	10-month contract: \$49 per month (\$147 billed quarterly)	10-month contract: \$80 per month (\$240 billed quarterly)

All accounts are billed quarterly. Prices include rental fee, insurance & sales tax

\*\*Please contact the office for 15.5" and up viola & 4/4 cello prices.

## Quality Rental Instruments

String teachers in the Hudson Valley consistently recommend Amadeus Strings for the unsurpassed quality of our string instruments.

### Violin & Viola Rentals

Amadeus Strings offers only high quality, handmade European violins & violas for beginners through advanced musicians. The Amadeus workshop in Eastern Europe maintains strict guidelines to ensure all instruments meet our highest quality standards. All rentals consist of an outfit that includes a hand carved violin/viola, natural horsehair Brazilwood bow, case, rosin and a shoulder rest.

*"I am an experienced string teacher in the Hudson Valley, and Amadeus Strings is consistently my first choice for string rentals and sales. When you look at aspects such as instrument action (playability), the instrument's ability to retain its tuning over time, quality of tone, top notch material such as horsehair bows, carved instruments, high quality strings, and more, Amadeus Strings excels. Along with quality instruments comes first-rate service, hands down the best in the Hudson Valley."*

**Key Features of your Violin or Viola outfit:** Hand carved with the top made of solid Carpathian resonance spruce ♦ Back, sides and neck made of solid maple ♦ Inlaid purfling on the top and back ♦ All fittings are ebony ♦ Dominant (or equivalent quality) Strings ♦ Oil varnish ♦ Natural horsehair bow ♦ Lightweight hard case ♦ High quality rosin ♦ Contoured sponge shoulder rest ♦ Fine tuners on all four strings

Our beginning violin, viola, cello & bass student package consists of a folding music stand & carrying case, Essential Elements 2000 method book 1, and music folder. This Beginning Student Package will be provided at a discounted price of **\$25.00**.

### Cello / Bass Rentals

*"As a beginning strings teacher, I see the effect that a high quality instrument has on a child's learning every day. It is such a relief when students walk into class with Amadeus Strings instruments. I know that they'll stay in tune and sound great every time. When a child sounds good as a beginner they enjoy playing more and progress faster. I can't recommend Amadeus Strings enough."*

Amadeus Strings offers only high quality handmade workshop cellos & basses for beginners through advanced musicians. The Amadeus Strings workshop maintains strict guidelines to ensure all instruments meet our highest quality standards. All rentals consist of an outfit that includes a hand carved cello or bass, natural horsehair Brazilwood bow, rosin, endpin anchor, & a padded soft case.

**Key Features of your Cello / Bass outfit -** Hand carved with the top made of solid resonance spruce ♦ Back, sides and neck made of solid maple ♦ Inlaid purfling on the top and back ♦ All fittings are ebony ♦ Despiau French Bridge ♦ D'Addario Helicore strings ♦ Natural horsehair Brazilwood bow ♦ Padded soft case ♦ High quality rosin ♦ Fine tuners on all four strings ♦ Endpin anchor

## *Amadeus Strings 2020-21 Rental Agreement*

Thank you for renting your instrument from Amadeus Strings. For prompt delivery to your school prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> week of September, please complete all sections of this form and send it to us via mail, email or fax to Amadeus Strings @ 105 Wennington Dr., Poughkeepsie NY 12603, info@amadeus-strings.com, 845-240-1917. Please refer to the rental agreement on page 4 of this document for terms and conditions.

**Contact & Student Information**

**(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Parent 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alt Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License # & State \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the person who referred you to Amadeus Strings \_\_\_\_\_

**Rental Instrument & Contract Length**

**Violin Rental** Size: 1/8 1/4 1/2 3/4 4/4  
**Viola Rental** Size: 10" 11" 12" 13" 14" 15" 15.5" 16"  
**Cello Rental** Size: 1/8 1/4 1/2 3/4 4/4  
**Bass Rental** Size: 1/8 1/4 1/2 3/4  
**Term of Contract:**      12 months                       10 months  
 (please select)                      (9/1/20- 8/31/21)                      (9/1/20- 6/30/21)

**Office Use Only**  
**2020 – 2021 School Year**  
 1Q (    ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 PKG \_\_\_\_\_  
 2Q (    ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 3Q (    ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 4Q (    ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Jul/Aug (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Initial Payment**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ First three (3) months' rental fee (see page 1 for pricing)  
 \$ 25.00 Beginning Student Package (includes stand, music folder, Essential Elements Book 1)  
 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Initial Payment** (Due upon receipt of contract)

**Payment Information**

Card type:  **Visa**  **MasterCard**  **Discover**  **Amex**  **Debit Card**     **(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)**

**Name on card:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Billing Zip Code** \_\_\_\_\_

**Card Number:**                   **Expiration Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

*I hereby authorize Amadeus Strings to charge my Credit/Debit Card quarterly for the agreed amount of this contract. I also hereby authorize Amadeus Strings to run a credit report on my behalf for the purpose of this rental agreement. I have read and agree to terms and conditions of this contract.*

*I will notify Amadeus Strings if my credit card or contact information changes at any point during this contract.*

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Rental Contract

### Rental Terms & Instrument Return Policy

1. The violin/viola/cello/bass outfit you are renting is the sole property of Amadeus Strings. You may not sell it or move it to another state.
2. You must notify Amadeus Strings if your address, phone number or credit card information changes.
3. The rental term and start date of your rental are noted on your signed rental contract. At the end of the term, the instrument and all included accessories (i.e. shoulder pads, and cello end pin anchors) must be returned to Amadeus Strings. Renter is responsible for all rental payments until the instrument is returned to our business location. If the instrument is not returned, the contract will be automatically extended for the term of the contract.
4. You may terminate this contract at any time for a nominal fee of \$20 if returned within your first year of rental. No fee will be charged if renting for more than one year. Renter also agrees to pay any shipping & handling charges related to returning the instrument.

### Rental Payments

1. All rental customers must provide a valid credit card, which must be kept up to date at all times while rental contract is active. The rental fee will be charged to your credit card before receipt of the instrument.
2. Rental fees will be automatically charged every three (12) months during the rental term. Amadeus Strings will mail an invoice reminding you that your credit card on file will be charged for the upcoming quarter rental fee.
3. A late fee of \$35 per month will be charged on rental payments that are over 15 days overdue.
4. A bounced check fee of \$35 will be charged when a check payment is returned due to non-sufficient funds.
5. A credit card declined fee of \$35 will be charged when a credit card is declined for payment.
6. Collection procedures will begin if an account is 90 or more days overdue. Renter is responsible for any necessary collection agency fees along with the value of the instrument. Once collection procedures have begun, Amadeus Strings may also repossess the instrument. Repossession terminates this agreement but does not relieve a parent or guardian of back rental charges.
7. Amadeus Strings has the right to refuse to lease/rent an instrument based on the results of credit investigation.

### Insurance & Repairs

1. The instrument is insured by Amadeus Strings, protecting you in case of damage or theft (Police report required). All repairs and adjustments to the instrument or bow must be completed by Amadeus Strings. While the instrument is being repaired, a loaner will be supplied free of charge.
2. Broken strings are not covered by insurance and are the responsibility of the renter.
3. If your instrument is stolen, a police report must be presented to Amadeus Strings within one week of the theft, otherwise the renter assumes responsibility for the full replacement cost of the instrument\*.
4. Insurance is not valid outside of the U.S. or if the renter's account is overdue; if account is overdue, renter will be responsible for any and all damage, loss or repair costs to the instrument.

\*Full replacement costs of rental outfits are as follows: Violin outfit (1/10-3/4 size) \$650; Violin outfit (4/4 size) \$690; Viola outfit (10"-13") \$700; Viola outfit (14"-15") \$800; Viola outfit (15.5"-16") \$990; Cello outfit (1/8-3/4 size) \$1550; Cello outfit (4/4 size) \$1800; Bass outfit (1/8-3/4 size) \$2200

### Equity Program

Our equity program allows renter to apply a percentage of their rental fees towards a purchase of a violin/viola/cello/bass or outfit. Rental credit accrues at 100% of the first year's rental fee (excluding insurance and tax), plus 40% of the second year, plus 20% of each additional year. 100% value of rental credit may be applied towards the purchase price of any violin/viola/cello/bass or outfit if equity does not exceed 50% of retail price.

### Referral Rewards Program

You and your friend will receive \$20 off your final rental bill! They must sign up and rent for at least a 10 month rental contract. Be sure your friends give us YOUR NAME when they visit or call us to ensure your discount. Refer as many friends as you want and receive a discount for each one. New renter (not an immediate family member) must provide your name at the time of contract signing in order for discount to be applied. Discount will be applied to fourth quarter billing.