



## *Amadeus Strings*

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### *Quality Violin & Viola Rentals – NYC Students*

#### **TOP QUALITY STRING INSTRUMENTS & SERVICE**

Highly recommended by string teachers for its consistently high-quality instruments and service, Amadeus Strings specializes in the rental of string instruments to students in the New York Hudson Valley and is pleased to offer its string instruments to students in New York City. A family-owned business, Amadeus Strings is proud to offer personal and individualized attention to every student.

Since 2008, Amadeus Strings has become a highly respected and well-known instrument provider to the Third Street Music School in Manhattan, providing high quality instruments and fast, reliable service. Typically, once your rental contract is received, the instrument is in your hands the very next day, shipped via UPS next-day service.

At Amadeus Strings, we offer only high-quality, handmade European violins, violas, and cellos for both beginning and advancing students. Because we specialize in the bowed string instruments, all of our instruments are expertly maintained and set up with the finest strings and fittings. All rentals consist of an outfit that includes a hand carved instrument, natural horsehair bow, case, and rosin. Cello rentals will also include an endpin anchor. Insurance is included in your rental fee, protecting you in case of damage or theft of the instrument.

*"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."*

#### **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, or cello outfit from Amadeus Strings. In addition to 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), plus 40% of the second year, and 20% of each additional year.

*"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."*

## Quality Rental Instruments

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

### Instrument Rentals

For both beginning and advancing students, Amadeus Strings offers only high quality, handmade European violins, violas, and cellos. The Amadeus workshop in Eastern Europe maintains strict standards to ensure all instruments meet our highest quality standards. All rentals consist of an outfit that includes a hand carved instrument, natural horsehair brazilwood bow, case, and rosin.

**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

### *Amadeus Strings Rental Pricing*

All accounts are billed annually\*.  
(Prices include rental fee, insurance & sales tax)

<u>Violin Rental</u> (1/32 - 4/4 size)	<u>Viola Rental</u> (11" - 14" size)	<u>Viola Rental</u> (15" - 16.5" size)	<u>Cello Rental**</u> (through 3/4 size)
<b>Year-Round contract:</b> <b>\$210 annually</b>	<b>Year-Round contract:</b> <b>\$270 annually</b>	<b>Year-Round contract:</b> <b>\$360 annually</b>	<b>Year-Round contract:</b> <b>\$540 annually</b>

\*New rentals will be prorated according to start date for a contract term through August 31, 2023.

\*\*Cellos through 4/4 size available for rental by request.

### Shoulder Rests

Shoulder rests are available for purchase and will delivered along with your violin/viola outfit:

- Contoured sponge shoulder rest \$ 5.00
- Everest shoulder rest (1/10-1/4) \$18.00
- Kun violin Mini (1/8-1/4) \$24.00
- Kun violin (1/2-3/4) \$27.00
- Kun violin (4/4) \$28.00



## 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 by July 10<sup>th</sup> of contract year, 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 before June 30 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.
5. Customers with a year-round contract term who return their instrument early will be charged for the difference of the school year rental rate before a refund is issued.

### Rental Payments

1. All rental customers must provide a valid credit card, which must be always kept up to date 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 (3) months during the rental term. Amadeus Strings will email an invoice reminding you that your credit card on file will be charged for the upcoming quarterly rental fee.
3. A late fee of \$15 per month will be charged on rental payments that are over 15 days overdue.
4. A bounced check fee of \$15 will be charged when a check payment is returned due to non-sufficient funds.
5. A credit card declined fee of \$15 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 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"-12") \$700; Viola outfit (13"-15") \$800; Viola outfit (15.5"-16.5") \$990; Cello outfit (1/8-1/2 size) \$1550; Cello outfit (3/4-4/4 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. Accrued equity will expire 6 months after closing your rental account.

### 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.