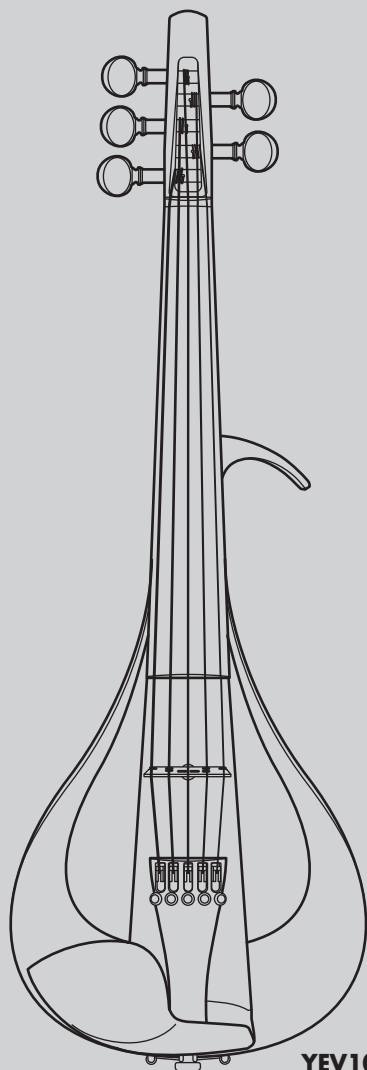


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**YEV104/YEV105**

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*Thank you for purchasing the Yamaha Electric Violin. The YEV104 and YEV105 are a new generation of Electric Violins delivering high performance that meet the demands of stage use. The instrument incorporates a beautiful, unique shape crafted with Yamaha's advanced wood processing technologies, and utilizes a simple pickup system that delivers a passive signal to the output jack. In order to obtain maximum performance and enjoyment from this instrument, we urge you to read this Owner's Manual thoroughly before using the instrument. We recommend that you keep it in a convenient place for future reference.*

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**Serial No.**

**Purchase Date**

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# PRECAUTIONS

## PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE PROCEEDING

Please keep this manual in a safe and handy place for future reference.

### **WARNING**

Always follow the basic precautions listed below to avoid the possibility of serious injury or even death from electrical shock, short-circuiting, damages, fire or other hazards. These precautions include, but are not limited to, the following:

#### Do not open

- This instrument contains no user-serviceable parts. Do not open the instrument or attempt to disassemble or modify the internal components in any way. If it should appear to be malfunctioning, discontinue use immediately and have it inspected by qualified Yamaha service personnel.

#### Water warning

- Do not expose the instrument to rain, use it near water or in damp or wet conditions.

### **CAUTION**

Always follow the basic precautions listed below to avoid the possibility of physical injury to you or others, or damage to the instrument or other property. These precautions include, but are not limited to, the following:

#### Connections

- Before connecting the instrument to other electronic components, turn off the power for all components. Before turning the power on or off for all components, set all volume levels to minimum.

#### Location

- Do not expose to direct sunlight (in a car during the day), high temperatures such as near a stove, or extremely low temperatures, and do not expose to vibrations or dust to prevent damage to the internal components or disfiguration.
- Do not place the instrument in an unstable position where it might accidentally fall over.
- Before moving the instrument, remove all connected cables, to prevent damage to the cables or injury to anyone who might trip over them.

#### Handling caution

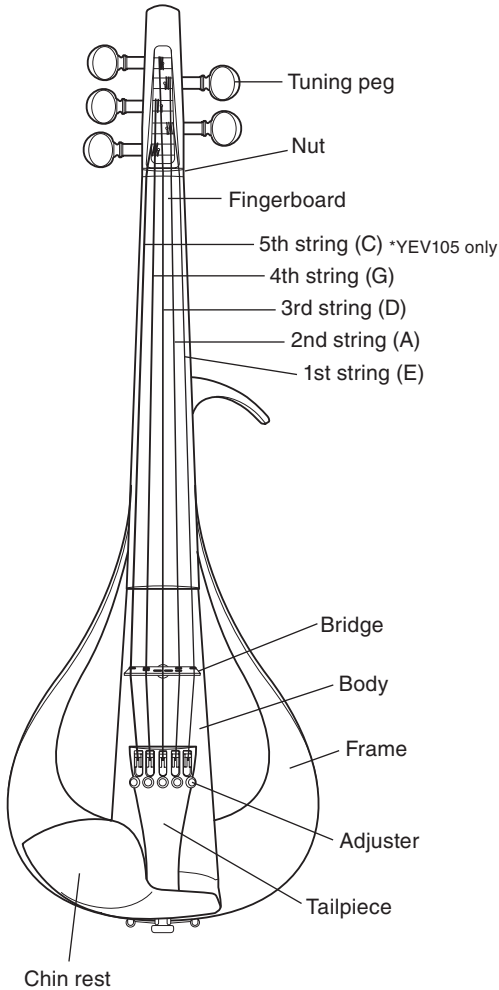
- If cleaning is required, wipe with a soft cloth. Do not use thinners, solvents, cleaning fluids, or wipes soaked with chemicals. Also, do not place vinyl or plastic products on the instrument. Doing so can cause discoloration/deterioration.
- Do not rest your weight on, or place heavy objects on the instrument, and do not use excessive force on the buttons, switches or connectors.
- Do not use the instrument for a long period of time at a high or uncomfortable volume level, since this can cause permanent hearing loss. If you experience any hearing loss or ringing in the ears, consult a physician.
- Take care not to pierce your finger with the end of the string. String ends are sharp and may cause injury.
- Never hold the instrument close to your face when adjusting or replacing strings. A string may unexpectedly break damaging your eyes.

Yamaha cannot be held responsible for damage caused by improper use or modifications to the instrument.

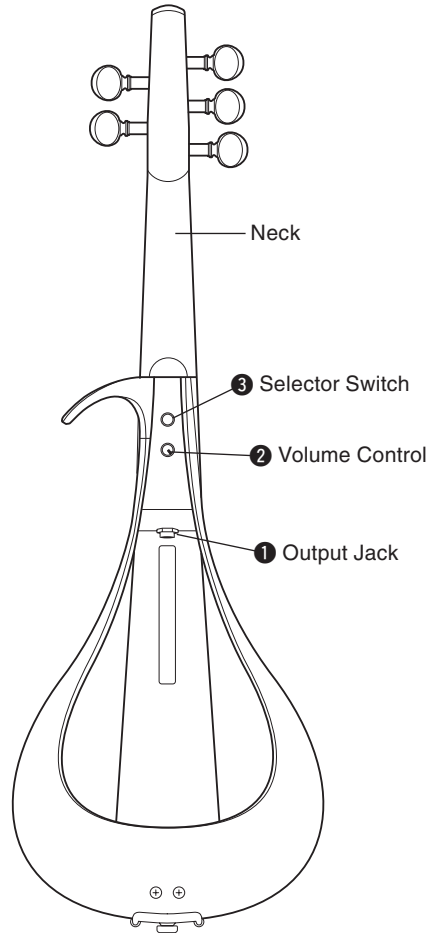
# Parts Diagram

## [Main Unit]

### ● Front



### ● Rear



**The YEV105 (5-string model) is used in the illustration.  
The number of strings/tuners, and the shape of the fingerboard  
and tailpiece are different on the YEV104 (4-string model).**

## ● Rear Control Section

### ① Output Jack


This is the pickup's passive signal output jack.

Connect this jack to a device with a high-impedance input such as a preamplifier, direct box, or musical instrument amplifier.



- \* The input impedance of the first device (preamp, direct box, etc.) the instrument connects to has a major influence on the sound quality produced by the speakers. In order to obtain the maximum performance from the instrument, we recommend connecting to a device with an input impedance of more than 1MΩ.
- \* Since signal strength decreases in relation to the length of the cable connecting the instrument to the first device, we recommend using the shortest possible cable length that does not interfere with your performance.

Using an equalizer, etc., to cut frequencies below the instrument's lowest pitch (around 200Hz for the G on the 4-string and about 150Hz for the C on the 5-string) can reduce unwanted noise such as bow return, hum, etc., with minimal impact on sound quality.

### ② Volume Control

Adjusts the volume. Turning to the right increases volume, turning to the left decreases. (The volume control is active only when the output selector switch is depressed (  ).)

### ③ Selector Switch (Volume Control Enable Switch)

Selects whether the signal output path goes from the pickup straight to the output jack (direct out:  ), or passes through the volume control (  ).

- \* The direct out signal offers the full tonal potential of the instrument, with low-end tone that is fat and punchy.
- \* Noise can occur when switching the selector. Before switching, lower the volume on the amplifier, external equipment, etc.



#### **CAUTION**

- Before connecting the Electric Violin to any external equipment, make sure the power is switched OFF or the volume is fully lowered on all devices. Failure to do so can result in a loud sound that can damage equipment or your hearing.

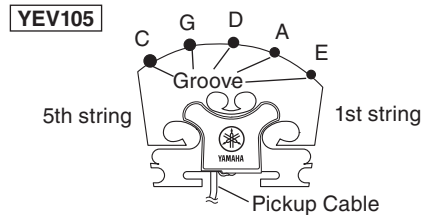
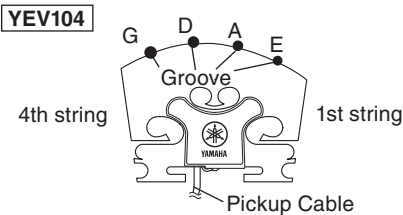
# Set up

## ■ Tuning and Changing the Strings

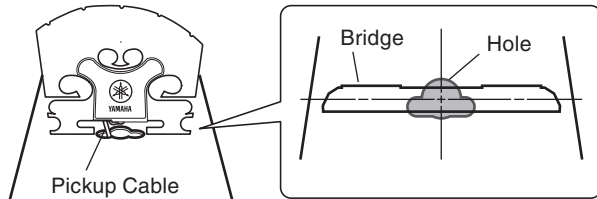
Because the bridge includes a built-in pickup, which is connected to the body with a thin cable, the instrument ships from the factory with the bridge laying down. First, set up the bridge and then proceed with tuning. As the strings get old, sound quality will gradually decrease, and it will become difficult to tune the instrument. Change the strings as soon as you think they are getting old.

### ⚠ CAUTION

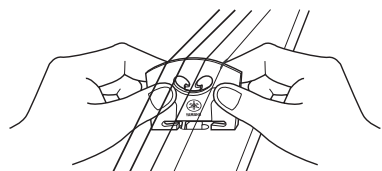
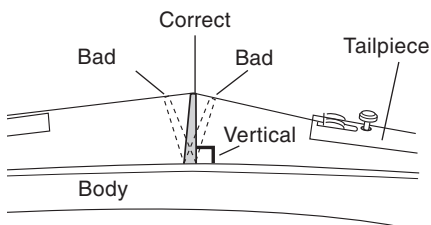
- The end of the strings are sharp and can cut fingers. Use caution when changing strings.
  - When changing or adjusting strings, do not put your face close to the instrument. The string may suddenly break resulting in eye or other unexpected injuries.
- The lower side of the bridge supports the 1st string (E), the higher side supports the 4th string (G)/5th string (C). Please note the bridge orientation and center the bridge over the pickup cable hole as shown in the illustration below.



\* The illustrations show the view looking from the tailpiece.



- Ensure that the bridge stands vertically. If it leans to one side, use both hands to adjust. Make sure that each string passes over the corresponding slits in the bridge.



[Bridge is placed vertically]

**⚠ CAUTION**

**Make sure that the strings are resting in their appropriate grooves in the bridge when playing the instrument.**

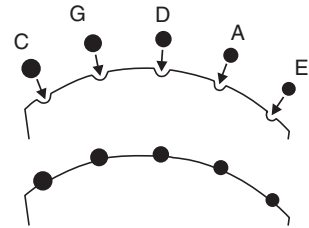
Strings may come out of their grooves when adjusting the bridge or changing strings. Since the 1st (E) and 4th (G)/5th (C) strings tend to come out of their grooves easily, use your fingers to hold the strings gently in place when tuning the instrument.

Also, the 1st (E) string is fitted with a protective tube. Make sure that the tube rests on the bridge.

**Always make sure that the bridge is standing vertically, whether the instrument is being played or stored. (see diagram on page 6)**

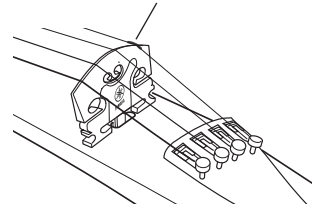
Even if the bridge is standing vertically before tuning, it may tilt during the tuning process. If so, readjust the bridge so it stands vertically.

It is very important that the bridge stands vertically. If it leans in either direction it will impair the sound and risk damaging the instrument.

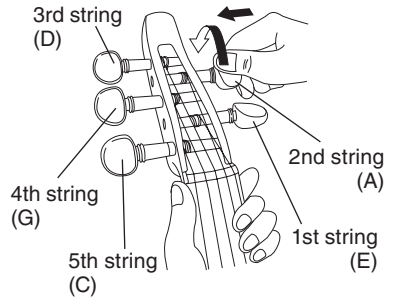


**[Make sure that the strings do not come out of their grooves]**

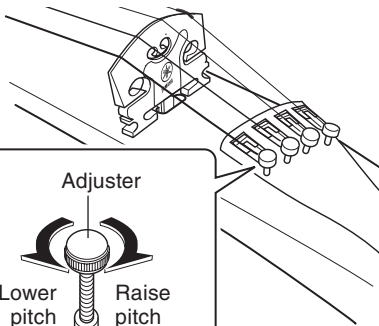
Protective tube on the 1st (E) string



- String tunings are, 1st string E, 2nd string A, 3rd string D, 4th string G, 5th string C (YEV105 only). Push in on the tuning peg and rotate to tune. Use a piano, tuning fork, or tuner to tune the instrument.
- Finally, use the adjuster to fine tune the strings.



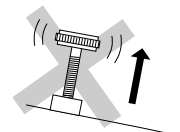
**YEV105**



**⚠ CAUTION**

If the adjuster is too loose, it could produce noise while playing.

**Don't loosen too much.**



- When the instrument is not going to be used for an extended period of time, loosen the strings until the pitch drops a whole tone.
- Before using the instrument, make sure that the bridge is positioned vertically. Damage to the bridge and poor sound quality may result if the bridge is not properly positioned.

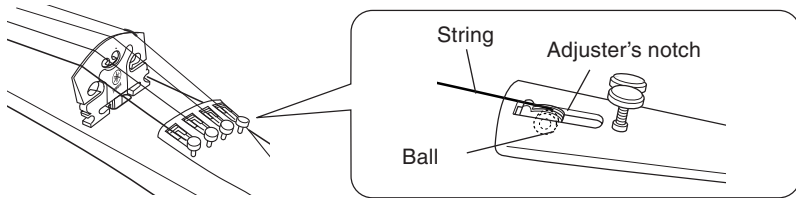
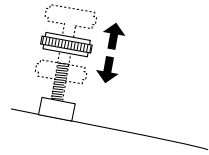


### ● Winding the Strings

(Please refer to this section when changing the strings)

- 1 Before you string the instrument, set the adjuster so that it is in the middle of its adjustment range. (All adjusters)
- 2 Place the ball (on the end of the string) in the notch on the adjuster. Make sure the ball is properly inserted in the adjuster's notch.

The adjuster should be set to the middle of its adjustment range.



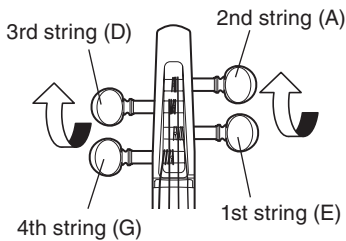
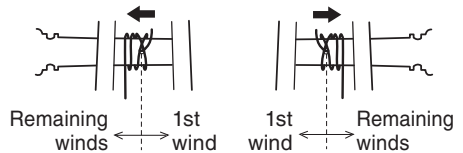
### ⚠ CAUTION

Do not use loop end E strings. It may damage the strings or fine tuner, and can cause injury.

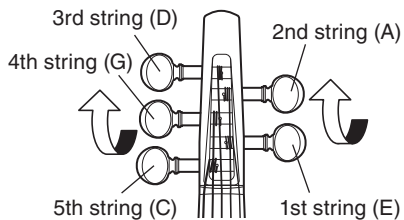
- 3 After threading the string through the hole in the tuning peg, turn the tuning peg making one wrap on one side of the hole and the remaining wraps on the other side as shown in the diagram on the right.

Winding the 3rd,  
4th and 5th strings

Winding the 1st and  
2nd strings



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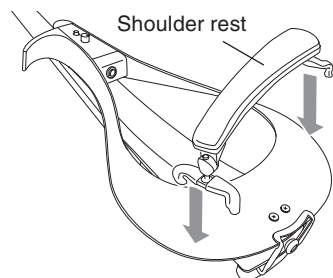


YEV105

### ■ The Shoulder Rest

A commercially available violin shoulder rest (4/4 size) can be attached to the instrument.

\* Some shoulder rests are incompatible (air cushion type, etc.).



# Specifications

<b>Neck</b>	Maple
<b>Body</b>	Spruce + Mahogany + Maple
<b>Tuning Pegs</b>	Ebony
<b>Bridge</b>	Maple (Built-in Pickup Type)
<b>Frame</b>	Walnut
<b>Tailpiece</b>	Synthetic Resin (equipped with adjusters)
<b>Strings</b>	Ball-end type violin strings (D'Addario Zyex) * D'Addario Helicore on the 5-string YEV105 only
<b>Pickup</b>	Bridge w/ Built-in Piezo-electric Pickup
<b>Controls</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Volume Control</li><li>• Selector Switch (Volume Control activation switch)</li></ul>
<b>Output Jack</b>	Passive Output (Φ6.3 Standard Monaural)
<b>String Length</b>	328 mm (12-15/16")
<b>Dimensions</b>	<b>YEV104</b> : 592 (L) x 204 (W) x 111 (H) mm 23-5/16" (L) x 8-1/16" (W) x 4-3/8" (H) <b>YEV105</b> : 607 (L) x 204 (W) x 120 (H) mm 23-7/8" (L) x 8-1/16" (W) x 4-3/4" (H)
<b>Weight</b>	<b>YEV104</b> : approximately 560 g (1 lbs. 4 oz.) <b>YEV105</b> : approximately 590 g (1 lbs. 5 oz.)
<b>Accessory</b>	Owner's Manual (this booklet)

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