

A 3/4 size Bohemian violin, circa 1900

Catalogue Number: RKT-1077

\$2,000

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Repairs: This instrument has no apparent cracks or repairs to the body, though there is a flaw on the bass side of the scroll and small crack in the side of peg box above the G peg. This violin has been neglected for many years and has recently been setup again with new pegs, bridge, strings and tailpiece. A small amount of re-touching of the varnish has been done as well.

Condition: This violin has survived many years in surprisingly good condition. It would seem that it has been played very little and most of the marks on it are from careless handling.

Comments: This is an appealing older child's instrument in good condition. It is quite delicately built compared to modern German instruments and is easy to play. Although this was a commercially produced instrument it shows competent workmanship in the archings, sound holes and edgework. The materials are generally good, if not spectacular and there are only the flaws in the scroll to criticize. The one piece back is attractive and highlighted by the aged look of the quite simple varnish. It has been recently setup in our shop to professional standards and has the voice of an older instrument.



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Description: This violin has a one piece back of maple showing irregular figure and some bird's eyes. The sides are of similar, though plainer material while the neck has more regular figure. The front is of two pieces of spruce showing medium grain in the centre, becoming quite fine at the sound holes and then broader again at the edges. The fittings are of ebony. The varnish is of a medium red/brown colour and is in good condition with some small worn areas, such as the middle of the lower bout of the back. There are two flaws in the wood of the bass side of the scroll. There are no apparent cracks or repairs.

Back Measurements:

Length: 339mm. Upper bout: 153mm. Middle bout: 112mm. Lower bout: 191mm.

This instrument is in very good condition. It is registered in our records as RKT-1077.

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