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WOOD CARE KIT

HOW TO USE YOUR
WOOD CARE KIT

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OILING YOUR INSTRUMENT

To maintain the inner bore of your instrument, place 2-3 drops of Roche-Thomas Bore Oil on your Roi Master Cleaner Wand. Push the wand into each section of the instrument and rotate to spread the oil. Let the oil sit for approximately 2-5 minutes before wiping away excess with a clean cloth or swab. Brush the exterior of the headjoint with the oiled wand and then remove any excess with a cloth.

Oil new wood items once per month until broken in. Once broken in, oil the wood at least once per year. Depending on humidity, temperature, wood type, and age of the instrument, more frequent oiling may be necessary.

Warning: Too much oil may damage the delicate wood of your instrument. Do not get oil on the pads.



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BEFORE PLAYING

Apply a small amount of **Roche-Thomas Cork Grease** directly to the headjoint receiving tenon cork on the body of your instrument. Use as needed. Cork grease reduces tension on the cork tenon, allowing the joints to assemble and disassemble more easily. Without grease, the cork may dry out and crack.



AFTER PLAYING

Gently blot underneath pads with the **Roi Pad Cleaning Papers** to remove excess moisture. *Warning:* When blotting, place the cleaning paper under the pads and gently open and close the keys. Do not pull the paper out with the key closed.

Swab headjoint and body with the **Roche-Thomas Swab** to remove excess moisture. Moisture left inside the instrument can damage the pads and interior of your instrument.

After each use, gently wipe the exterior of your instrument with the **FCNY Microfiber Cloth**. Wiping the instrument removes dirt and oil from fingerprints, which can cause tarnish.



OTHER WOOD CARE TIPS

Allow the instrument to adjust to room temperature and use your hands to warm the instrument (headjoint) before playing.

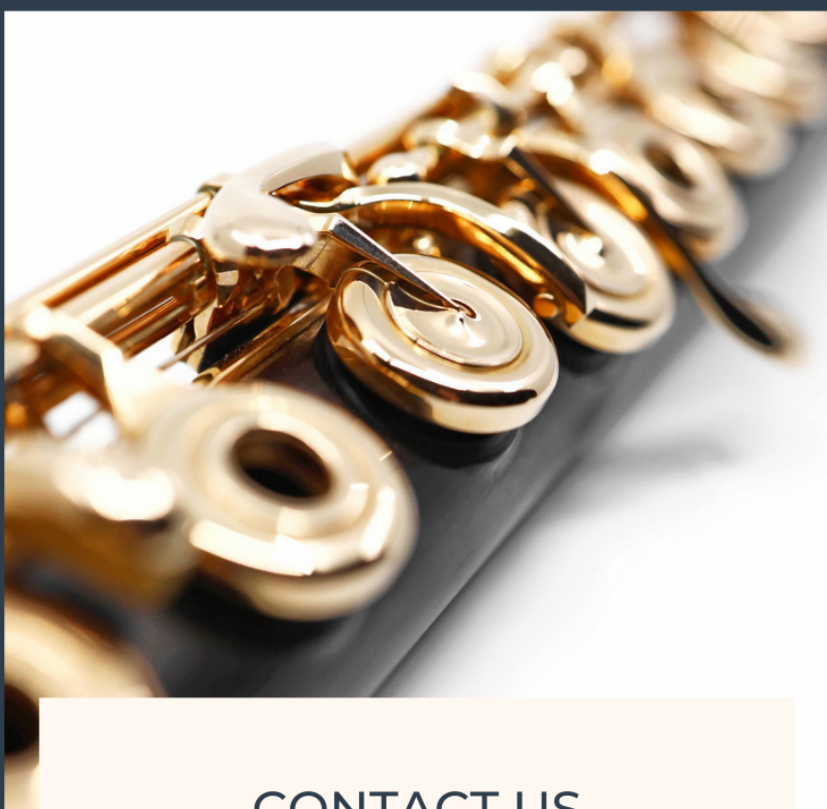
Avoid extended exposure to heaters and air conditioners. Store instruments in a temperature controlled room.

Frequently use a cleaning swab, wand, or gauze to remove moisture from inside the instrument while playing.

If you purchased this wood care kit with a brand new wood instrument, please contact the manufacturer for frequency of oiling. Guidelines might differ based on maker and wood type.

MAINTENANCE

The Flute Center recommends maintaining your wood instrument with an annual clean, oil and adjustment (COA.) As leaks happen gradually, it is common for flutists to end up playing an instrument that is less than optimum without even realizing. Once restored to perfect playing condition, most are amazed at how great their instrument plays. Contact us to book your repair today!



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