

## Fesley FVP01M

# Fesley 4/4 Matt Violin Kit Instruction Manual

Model: FVP01M

Brand: Fesley

## INTRODUCTION

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Thank you for choosing the Fesley 4/4 Matt Violin Kit. This comprehensive manual provides essential information for setting up, operating, and maintaining your new instrument. Designed for beginners and intermediate players, this violin kit offers exceptional playability and a rich tonal quality. Please read through this manual carefully to ensure optimal performance and longevity of your violin.

### Key Features:

- **Exceptional Playability:** The violin fingerboard is accurately trued and aligned, smooth and straight, with proper curvature, length, and thickness. Crafted from fine maple, it provides a well-balanced feel for effortless movement.
- **Effortless Tuning:** Features both pegs and fine tuners for precise adjustments. A digital tuner is included to simplify the tuning process, ensuring the violin stays in tune after initial setup.
- **Handmade with Precision:** Meticulously crafted by skilled artisans using expertly selected aged tonewoods, including solid spruce for the top and maple for the back, contributing to exceptional resonance and tonal depth.
- **Striking Aesthetics:** Boasts an elegant scroll, gracefully arched body, and a matte finish for a vintage look that enhances resonance and tonal qualities.
- **Complete Accessory Package:** Includes a high-quality hard case, premium bow, violin bridge, shoulder rest, extra strings, fretboard stickers, and a cleaning cloth.

## WHAT'S IN THE BOX

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Your Fesley 4/4 Matt Violin Kit comes with the following items:

- Fesley 4/4 Matt Violin
- Hard Case
- Premium Bow
- Rosin
- Shoulder Rest
- Digital Tuner
- Extra Strings
- Violin Bridge (uninstalled)
- Fretboard Stickers
- Cleaning Cloth
- Instruction Manual



*Image: All components included in the Fesley 4/4 Matt Violin Kit.*

## SETUP GUIDE

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Before playing your Fesley violin, some initial setup is required. Follow these steps carefully.

### 1. Installing the Bridge


The bridge is a small, unglued piece of wood. It is crucial for sound production and must be installed correctly.

1. **Identify the E-string and G-string side:** The bottom of the bridge is usually a straight line. The side with the higher arch is for the E-string (thinnest string), and the lower arch is for the G-string (thickest string).
2. **Loosen the strings slightly:** To avoid snapping a string while placing the bridge, loosen the tuning pegs slightly. The strings should be loose enough that you can easily pull them up and down, allowing them to be lifted up enough to slip the bridge under the strings.
3. **Place the bridge between the F-holes:** The F-holes are two 'f'-shaped holes found near the end of the violin's body. Position the bridge so its feet are roughly in the middle of the F-holes.
4. **Tighten the strings:** Gradually tighten each string in the sequence of G-D-A-E. The reason for starting from the G string is to prevent damaging the thinner E and A strings. Tighten one string at a time, then tighten the next. Do not tighten one string all the way to the desired pitch while leaving the other strings very loose. This will create unequal pressure on the bridge, causing it to fall.
5. **Ensure 90-degree angle:** Once you've placed your bridge, check to make sure its placement is correct. The side of the bridge facing the violin's tailpiece should stand at roughly 90 degrees. If the bridge is

leaning forward or backward, gently push it into the correct vertical position.

## Find the Right Size

Measure your arm length, consider your age and comfort



Violin Size	1/4	1/2	3/4	4/4
Arm Length	45-51	51-56	56-59	59+
Age	6-7	8-9	10-11	12+

*Image: Visual guide for installing the violin bridge and tightening strings.*

## 2. Rosining the Bow

The bow hair needs rosin to create friction with the strings. Rub the rosin back and forth along the bow hair for at least 5-10 minutes until you see white powder coming out from the horse's hair. This will allow the bow to make a sound.

## 3. Attaching the Shoulder Rest

The shoulder rest attaches to the back of the violin, providing comfort and stability while playing. Adjust the feet of the shoulder rest to securely grip the violin's lower bouts without excessive pressure.

# Carbon Fiber Shoulder Rest and Tailpiece

More Durable &  
Lightweight

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*Image: The Fesley violin showing the shoulder rest and tailpiece.*

## 4. Tuning the Violin

Use the included digital tuner to fine-tune each string. The pegs make larger adjustments, while the fine tuners on the tailpiece allow for small, precise adjustments. Pluck a note and adjust until the tuner indicates it is in tune.

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*Video: Demonstrating the setup and tuning process for the Fesley violin. This video highlights the installation of the bridge, applying rosin to the bow, and using the digital tuner for precise pitch adjustments.*

## OPERATING YOUR VIOLIN

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Once your violin is set up and tuned, you are ready to begin playing. Hold the violin securely with the shoulder rest, ensuring a comfortable posture. Use the bow to draw across the strings, applying appropriate pressure and speed to produce clear tones.

## Playing Techniques:

- **Bow Hold:** Hold the bow lightly but firmly, with a relaxed grip.
- **Bow Stroke:** Draw the bow smoothly across the strings, parallel to the bridge, to produce a consistent sound.
- **Finger Placement:** Use the included fretboard stickers as a guide for accurate finger placement to produce different notes.

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*Video: A demonstration of playing the Fesley 4/4 Violin, showcasing its sound quality and playability.*

## MAINTENANCE

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Proper maintenance will extend the life and preserve the sound quality of your Fesley violin.

### 1. Cleaning

- **After Each Use:** Wipe down the violin body, strings, and bow stick with the included cleaning cloth to remove rosin dust and fingerprints.
- **Avoid Moisture:** Keep the violin away from extreme temperatures and humidity.

### 2. String Care

- **Replacing Strings:** Replace strings individually when they show signs of wear or breakage. Use the included extra strings as needed.
- **Bridge Position:** Regularly check that the bridge remains upright and centered between the F-holes.

### 3. Bow Care

- **Loosen Bow Hair:** After playing, loosen the bow hair by turning the screw counter-clockwise to prevent tension damage.
- **Rosin Application:** Apply rosin as needed to maintain good grip on the strings.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

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Here are some common issues and their solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Violin won't stay in tune	New strings stretching, pegs slipping	Tune frequently. Apply peg compound (not included) if pegs slip.
No sound or weak sound	Insufficient rosin on bow, bridge not set correctly	Apply more rosin. Ensure bridge is upright and centered.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Scratchy sound	Incorrect bow pressure or angle	Adjust bow pressure and angle. Practice smooth bowing.
Bridge falls down	Strings too loose, uneven tension	Ensure strings are tightened gradually and evenly. Check bridge angle.

## SPECIFICATIONS

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Feature	Detail
Item Model Number	FVP01M
Size	4/4 (Full Size)
Finish Type	Matte Violin
Top Material	Spruce
Back Material	Maple
Body Material	Maple
String Material	Alloy Steel
Number of Strings	4
Item Weight	4.6 pounds
Product Dimensions	22.98 x 8 x 3.5 inches

## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

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Fesley is committed to your musical journey. We offer a 12-month after-sale warranty and lifetime technical support for your FVP01M violin kit. If you have any questions, concerns, or require assistance with your instrument, please contact our customer support team.

We believe that every note makes everything better.