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Model: 10D19190THANNIVERSARY

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the proper setup, operation, and maintenance of your Martin D-19 190th-anniversary Acoustic Guitar. Please read this manual thoroughly before using your instrument to ensure optimal performance and longevity.

The Martin D-19 190th-anniversary Acoustic Guitar is a dreadnought-style instrument featuring a mahogany-stained Adirondack spruce top and mahogany back and sides. It is designed for acoustic performance and is part of a limited edition series.

PRODUCT OVERVIEW



Figure 1: Front view of the Martin D-19 Acoustic Guitar. This image displays the full body of the guitar from the front, highlighting the dark mahogany finish, the spruce top, the soundhole with its multi-stripe rosette, and the bridge.



Figure 2: Full front view of the Martin D-19 Acoustic Guitar. This image provides a complete view of the guitar, from the headstock with its tuning pegs, down the neck with its fretboard, to the body, offering a comprehensive look at its overall design.



Figure 3: Back view of the Martin D-19 Acoustic Guitar. This image focuses on the rear of the guitar, showcasing the rich mahogany wood grain of the back and sides, emphasizing the craftsmanship and material quality.



Figure 4: Close-up of the soundhole and bridge area. This detailed shot highlights the multi-stripe rosette around the soundhole, the bridge, and the saddle, providing a closer look at these critical components.



Figure 5: Close-up of the headstock and upper neck. This image provides a detailed view of the headstock, including the Martin logo, the tuning machines, and the nut, essential for tuning and string stability.

Key Features:

- **Top Material:** Adirondack Spruce (Mahogany-stained)
- **Back & Sides Material:** Mahogany
- **Neck Material:** Mahogany
- **Fretboard Material:** Guatemalan Rosewood
- **Number of Strings:** 6
- **Body Type:** Dreadnought

- **Finish:** Dark Mahogany

SETUP

1. Unpacking and Inspection

Carefully remove the guitar from its packaging. Inspect the instrument for any signs of damage that may have occurred during shipping. Check the neck, body, headstock, and bridge for cracks, dents, or other irregularities. If any damage is found, contact your retailer immediately.

2. Acclimatization

Allow the guitar to acclimatize to its new environment for at least 24-48 hours before tuning or playing extensively. Sudden changes in temperature or humidity can affect the wood and cause warping or cracking. Store the guitar in a stable environment, ideally within a humidity range of 45-55% and a temperature range of 70-75°F (21-24°C).

3. Initial Tuning

The guitar will likely be out of tune upon arrival. Use a reliable electronic tuner to bring the strings to standard pitch (E-A-D-G-B-e). Tune slowly and carefully to avoid over-tightening the strings, which can cause damage to the guitar or strings.

4. String Inspection

Check the strings for any kinks, rust, or signs of wear. While the guitar comes with factory strings, some players prefer to replace them with their preferred gauge and brand after initial setup.

OPERATING THE GUITAR

1. Holding the Guitar

When seated, rest the guitar on your right thigh (for right-handed players) with the waist of the guitar comfortably against your body. The neck should be angled slightly upwards. When standing, use a comfortable guitar strap that distributes the weight evenly across your shoulder.

2. Tuning

Regular tuning is crucial for optimal sound. Use the tuning machines on the headstock to adjust the pitch of each string. Turn the pegs slowly and incrementally. Standard tuning from thickest to thinnest string is E, A, D, G, B, E.

3. Playing Techniques

- **Strumming:** Use a pick or your fingers to strum across the strings. Experiment with different attack angles and dynamics.
- **Fingerpicking:** Use individual fingers to pluck specific strings, creating intricate melodies and harmonies.
- **Fretting:** Press down on the strings behind the frets with your left-hand fingers (for right-handed players) to change the pitch. Ensure firm pressure for clear notes.

4. String Changing

Strings should be changed regularly, typically every 1-3 months depending on playing frequency and sweat acidity. Old strings can sound dull and affect intonation. When changing strings, replace them one at a time to maintain neck tension, or all at once if you are also cleaning the fretboard.

MAINTENANCE

1. Cleaning

- **Body:** Wipe the body with a soft, lint-free cloth after each use to remove fingerprints and sweat. For deeper cleaning, use a guitar-specific polish sparingly.
- **Fretboard:** Periodically clean the fretboard to remove grime buildup. Use a fine steel wool (0000 grade) for unfinished fretboards (like rosewood) or a damp cloth for finished ones. Apply a small amount of lemon oil or fretboard conditioner to unfinished fretboards to prevent drying.
- **Strings:** Wipe down strings after each use to extend their life and maintain tone.

2. Humidity Control

Acoustic guitars are sensitive to humidity. Maintain a relative humidity of 45-55% to prevent the wood from shrinking or expanding, which can lead to cracks, warping, or changes in playability. Use a guitar humidifier in dry climates and a dehumidifier in excessively humid climates. Store the guitar in its case when not in use.

3. Storage

Always store your guitar in a hard-shell case or a padded gig bag when not in use. This protects it from physical damage, dust, and helps maintain a stable environment. Avoid exposing the guitar to direct sunlight, extreme temperatures, or sudden temperature changes.

4. Professional Setup

It is recommended to have your guitar professionally set up by a qualified luthier at least once a year. A setup includes adjusting the neck relief, string action, and intonation to ensure optimal playability and tone.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Buzzing strings	Low action, uneven frets, worn strings, improper fretting technique, neck relief issues.	Check string action and adjust saddle height. Inspect frets for wear. Replace old strings. Ensure firm finger pressure when fretting. Consult a luthier for neck adjustments.
Dull or dead tone	Old strings, dirty fretboard, humidity issues, internal bracing issues.	Replace strings. Clean fretboard. Check and adjust humidity levels. If problem persists, consult a luthier.
Difficulty staying in tune	Old strings, improper string winding on tuning pegs, nut friction, worn tuning machines, environmental changes.	Replace strings. Ensure strings are properly wound. Lubricate nut slots. Inspect tuning machines for looseness. Maintain stable humidity and temperature.
Cracks in wood	Extreme humidity changes, physical impact.	Immediately consult a qualified luthier for repair. Prevent by maintaining proper humidity and careful handling.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	10D19190THANNIVERSARY

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Item Weight	18.9 pounds
Product Dimensions	49 x 20.2 x 9 inches
Body Material	Mahogany
Top Material	Spruce
Back Material	Mahogany Wood
Neck Material Type	Mahogany
Fretboard Material	Rosewood
Number of Strings	6
Color	Dark Mahogany
Guitar Bridge System	Fixed
Date First Available	September 19, 2023



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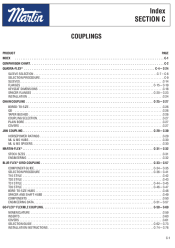
For information regarding the warranty coverage for your Martin D-19 190th-anniversary Acoustic Guitar, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or visit the official Martin Guitar website. Warranty terms and conditions may vary by region and retailer.

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