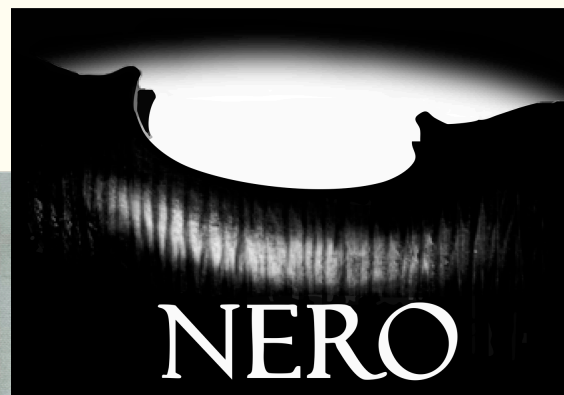


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Fine Fittings for Bowed String Instruments







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Our company was born from the fascination with the king of the woodworking trade, string instrument making. Our staff has a combined half-century of experience in the violin trade and woodworking, and has put that expertise into searching for the finest wood parts, tools, and supplies for the woodworker.

All of our supplies and wood products are of exquisite quality. We understand how materials, workmanship, and design are crucial to the fine craftsman, and limit our acquisitions to items that we think are dependable, beautiful, and functional.

We also feature NERO Fine Fittings which are the first complete sets of renewably sourced material to replace ebony, and in many ways improve upon it! Nero is renewable, workable, hypoallergenic, and easy to install.

***FITTINGS MATTER!***



## Our Maker

Our fine fittings finished by hand by craftsmen in a family owned business.

Careful attention to proper aging and preparation, grain orientation, fine finishing, and consistent quality is emphasized.

We have worked with this maker for over 30 years, developing refined models that are acoustically superior, classically beautiful, reliably durable, and comfortable for the player.

## Materials and preparation

- The **Ebony** (*Diospyros ebenum*) is pure black, harvested in Sri Lanka or the Chotonagpur Plateau in India. Then it is aged to assure stability and quarter sawn before being made into the individual parts.
- The **Boxwood** (*Buxus sempervirens*) is harvested in the foothills of the Himalayas. It is originally off-white and air aged to assure stability. After sectioning into quarter-sawn boards, it is carved and then stained a tasteful orange-brown. Our fittings are carved precisely to maximize acoustic performance, strength, and durability.
- The quarter sawn **Rosewood** (*Dalbergia Latifolia*), is harvested in north east India. It is aged in the log for a minimum of two years. Only large logs with the straightest grain are selected for our fittings.
- **NERO** is made in the USA from eucalyptus paper and thermosetting resins. It is pure black and mimics the finest Madagascar ebony. NERO's consistent character make it easy for the maker to carve and to put a perfect, ebony-like finish on the surface. It is hypoallergenic and not susceptible to humidity or temperature change. The surface is impermeable to sweat and body fluids and therefore very easy to clean.
- The **cork** (*Quercus suber*) is the finest quality, fitted precisely to minimize acoustic interference and to maximize stability.
- The **chrome and black** powder coated brass hardware is individually fitted by hand and is straight and will thread easily.
- The **Ox Bone** is selected for strength and consistency and carved by hand to provide reliable performance.

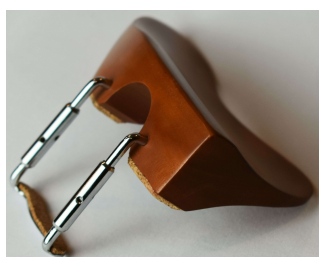


## Chinrests



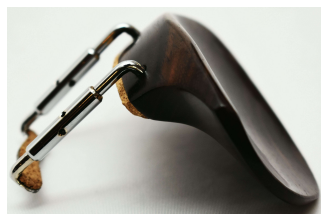
**Berlin (or Kaufmann)**  
Available in Boxwood,  
Ebony, Rosewood, and  
NERO

**Guarneri**  
Available in Boxwood,  
Ebony, Rosewood and  
NERO



**Berber (Ohrenform)**  
Available in Boxwood,  
Ebony, Rosewood and  
NERO as well as extra high  
versions

**Elegant Guarneri**  
Available in  
Boxwood, Ebony,  
and Rosewood



**Brandt**  
Available in Boxwood,  
Ebony, Rosewood and  
NERO as well as extra high  
versions

**Hollywood**  
Available in  
Boxwood, Ebony,  
Rosewood, and  
NERO



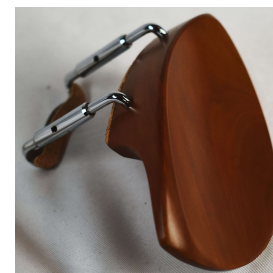
**Darmstadt**  
Available in Boxwood,  
Ebony, and Rosewood

**Houston**  
Available in  
Boxwood, Ebony,  
and Rosewood



**Flesch Flat**  
Available in Boxwood,  
Ebony, Rosewood and  
NERO as well as extra high  
versions

**Northwoods**  
Available in  
Boxwood, Ebony,  
Rosewood, and  
NERO



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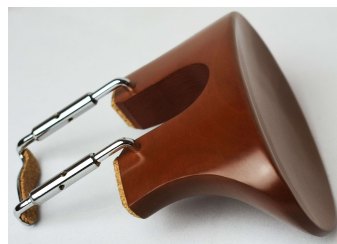
### Stuber

Available in Boxwood, Ebony, Rosewood, and NERO



### Teka

Available in Boxwood, Ebony, Rosewood, and NERO as well as extra high versions



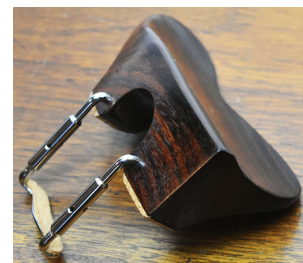
### Varga

Available in Boxwood, Ebony, and Rosewood



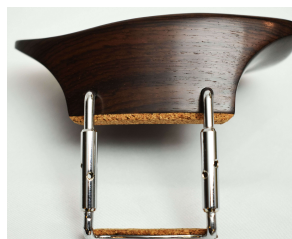
### Extra High Chinrests

Available in Boxwood, Ebony, and Rosewood in limited quantities up to 50 mm height.



### Vermeer

Available in Boxwood, Ebony, Rosewood, and NERO



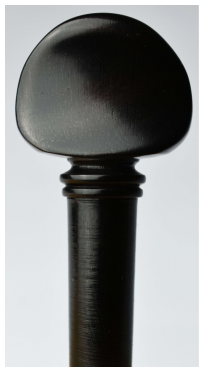
### Viola Barrels

Barrels for Viola chinrests available in 29 to 32 mm





**PEGS**



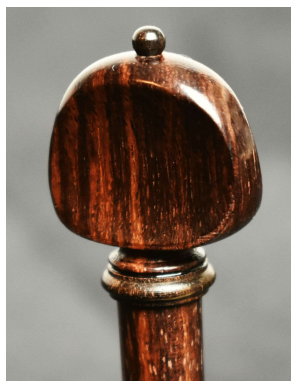
**Swiss**

Available in Boxwood, Ebony, Rosewood, and NERO for Violin, Viola, and Cello



**Swiss Pegs with Inlaid Gold Rhombus**

Available in Ebony and Rosewood. For Violin, Viola, and Cello



**Rosewood French Pegs with Ebony Ring and Pip**

Only available in Rosewood for Violin, Viola, and Cello

**Heart Pegs**

We offer these pegs in Boxwood, Ebony, and Rosewood for Violin and Viola. All have ebony ring and pip and can be special ordered with boxwood or bone decoration as well. Available for cello as special order.



**Hill Style Pegs**

Slim "European" head In Boxwood, Ebony, Rosewood. In NERO without ring and pip.

Available for Violin, Viola, and Cello.



## Tailpieces



### French

A classic take on the traditional design, available in Boxwood, Ebony, Rosewood, and NERO for both Violin and Viola

### Hill

Finely crafted model of the most favored style. Available in Boxwood, Ebony, Rosewood, and NERO for both Violin and Viola



**Cello Tailpiece** with Built in Titanium fine tuners will be available in February 2026, in elegant French and Harp styles. Made from Boxwood, Rosewood, Ebony and NERO. Advance orders are welcome!



## Luthier Supplies



### Hide Glue

192 gm strength,  
high clarity,  
7 oz. Jar



### Violin or Viola Peg Bushings

Boxwood, also  
available for cello  
on special order

### Kevlar Tailgut

Pure braided black kevlar for  
Violin, Viola or Cello.  
Violin/viola 200 lb. Test  
Cello 500 lb test  
Fray resistant chord  
maintains flexibility!





## 2025 Catalog



### Policies

#### **Wholesale Ordering and pricing**

Join our team! Nero Fine Fittings are available for the distributor and dealer at generous discounts. Significant discounts for a highly desirable and low risk product is an attractive option for the dealer. We also offer distributor discounts for large orders.

For access to our wholesale price list, dealers and makers must fill out an application. To become a wholesale customer you must meet minimum ordering requirements and have a retail sale license. You must submit a pdf or jpeg image of that retail license when you submit your application. The minimum order is \$200.00. Shipping is included in the price, but if you desire 2nd day or express shipment we will add those charges to your purchase price.

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Standard shipping is always fast and free! We normally ship within 24 hours after an order is placed. If you desire 2nd day or express shipment we will add those charges to your order. Tracking is provided on all orders.

#### **Returns:**

We offer refunds for any product that is defective or shipped in error. Once the products are returned in new condition in the original packaging, a refund will be issued by the next business day.







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