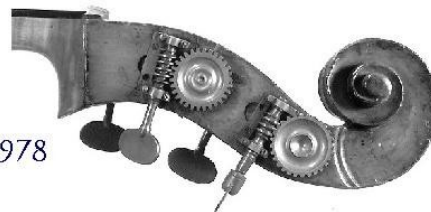


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I have this day carefully and comprehensively examined one three quarter sized double bass violin belonging to-

Stein Matt
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It has a top of two pieces of wide grain spruce with violin corners. The carved back is made of two pieces of well flamed maple. The rib wood matches the back's and has outside liners. There is a single inlaid purfling in both tables. The replacement well flamed maple neck has an ebony fingerboard. The tuning gears are the original individual German made French type made of brass with brass pegs. The finish is the original orange brown spirit varnish. The bass was previously owned by jazz legend Gary Peacock.

The bass' dimensions are as follow-

Upper bout- 20 inches
C bout- 15 inches
Lower bout- 25 1/2 inches
Body height- 44 inches
Rib depth- 7 5/8 inches
Mensur- 41 1/2 inches
Overall height- 71 inches

The bass is in good condition. It was made in Czechoslovakia by John Juzek circa 1939, as labeled. Current replacement value is, in my estimation, \$ 14,000.00.

William E. Merchant