



## Double bass

### Date

1880-1910 ca.

### Description

Top: two-piece spruce: medium grain broadening to very wide then narrowing again at the edges Back: two-piece slab-cut maple with faint irregular medium curl; flat with slight break in upper bout Ribs: plain maple Head and neck: beech Varnish: medium brown; shaded Purfling: double scratched lines Fingerboard: black-varnished maple Nut: ebony Tailpiece: ebony Tailgut: steel wire; passes through drilled holes in front of tailpiece and bolted Tuners: four steel machine heads with black-painted maple rollers Saddle: ebony Endpin: brown-stained hardwood, possibly oak; with missing extendable pin Linings: maple Bassbar: carved from top Corner blocks: spruce Top block: integral with neck; extension at joint with back Bottom block: maple Other: maple graft along back joint; three spruce lateral braces on back

### Dimensions

Total double bass length: 1791 mm Back length: 1084 mm Upper bout width: 525 mm Center bout width: 362 mm Lower bout width: 647 mm Upper rib height: 168-199 mm Center rib height: 193-201 mm Lower rib height: 197-201 mm Stop length: 627 mm Vibrating string length: 1070 mm Neck length (bottom of nut to ribs): 432 mm