

# Baritone ukulele

#### Date

1952-1968 ca.

## Primary Maker

Harmony Company

### Description

This model of Harmony baritone ukulele appears, with decal on the headstock, in the 1952-53 Continental and Wexler catalogs. The last appearance of this ukulele and headstock shape was in the 1968 Grossman and Hagelin catalogs. Stringing: nylon strings Soundboard: one-piece mahogany with interlocking grain Back: one-piece mahogany with interlocking grain; slightly arched Sides: two-piece mahogany with interlocking grain Head: mahogany Neck: maple; integral with head Heel cap: none; neck heel set in from back Binding: imitation tortoise-shell celluloid on top only Fretboard: rosewood; 18 brass frets; single pearloid dots behind 3th, 7th, 12th, and 15th frets; double pearloid dots behind 5th and 10th frets Nut: bone Bridge: rosewood with bone saddle Tuners: four nickel-plated brass tension tuners with ivory plastic heads Rosette: three-ply black-ivory-black celluloid set in far from edge Finish: clear Linings: kerfed birch or basswood Neck block: birch or basswood with beveled corners End block: birch or basswood with beveled corners Top braces: spruce braces with tapered ends above and below soundhole; wide and low spruce brace below bridge Back braces: spruce braces with tapered ends at upper, center, and lower bouts

#### **Dimensions**

Total ukulele length: 759 mm (29-7/8") Back length: 353 mm (13-7/8") Upper bout width: 189 mm (7-7/16") Waist

width: 167 mm (3-1/2") Lower bout width: 256 mm (6-9/16") Rib height (including edging) at heel: 73 mm (2-7/8") Rib height, at waist: 84 mm (3-5/16") Rib height, at end block: 86 mm (3-3/8") Head length: 137

mm (5-3/8") Head width, top: 59 mm (2-5/16") Head width, bottom: 56 mm (2-3/16") Neck length (nut to ribs): 269 mm (10-9/16") Neck width, nut: 33 mm (1-9/32") Neck width, heel: 45 mm (1-25/32") Soundhole diameter: 67 mm (2-5/8") Vibrating string length (nut to bridge edge): 487 mm (19")