

Basic Detail Report



Soprano ukulele

Date

1945-1960 ca.

Primary Maker

Harmony Company

Description

Stringing: four gut or nylon strings Soundboard: one-piece, slab-cut birch Back: one-piece, slab-cut birch Sides: two-piece, slab-cut birch Head: birch; shield-shaped Neck: birch; integral with head; slightly faceted neck heel Heel cap: none Binding: none; white paint along upper edge in imitation of binding Fretboard: brown plastic affixed to neck with four Philips' head screws, one behind 1st fret, one behind 5th fret, and two after 12th fret; 12 integral brown plastic frets, plus a zero fret; recessed, white-painted dots behind 3rd, 7th, and 10th frets Nut: brown plastic, integral with fretboard Bridge: birch; integral saddle; curved upper edge Tuners: four nickel-plated brass and steel tension tuners with asymmetrical white plastic heads Rosette: abstract ivory stencil-painted rosette Finish: dark brown sunburst paint with abstract ivory stencil-painted rosette and matching decoration below bridge; white-painted imitation binding along top edge Linings: kerfed birch Neck block: birch; wood dowel through top block into neck End block: birch Top braces: birch transverse brace with tapered ends above soundhole; spruce transverse brace with tapered ends below soundhole Back braces: spruce transverse braces with tapered ends in upper and lower bouts

Dimensions

Total ukulele length: 527 mm (20-15/16") Back length: 232 mm (9-9/32") Upper bout width: 126 mm (4-19/32") Waist width: 96 mm (3-1/2") Lower bout width: 164 mm (6") Rib height (including edging) at heel: 55 mm (1-15/16") Rib height, at waist: 59 mm (2-1/8") Rib height, at end block: 62 mm (2-1/4") Head length: 127 mm (5-1/8") Head width, top: 60 mm (2-13/32")

Head width, bottom: 51 mm (2") Neck length (nut to ribs): 169 mm (6-9/16") Neck width, nut: 34 mm (1-11/32") Neck width, heel: 45 mm (1-27/32") Soundhole diameter: 44 mm (1-27/32") Vibrating string length (nut to bridge edge): 329 mm (13-1/16")