Basic Detail Report



Violin bow

Date

1810-1830 ca.

Primary Maker

John Kew Dodd

Description

Laurence Witten attributed bow to Tourte L'Aîné, but possibly English Current attribution: Arian Sheets and Andrew Dipper (March 31, 2018) attribute bow to John

Kew Dodd due to T-mortise in head, frog heavily altered and possibly replaced, Dodd is known to have made Tourte-style bows Date: ca. 1790 (Witten); ca. 1810-1830 (Sheets and Dipper) Stick: round; pernambuco; uneven faceting at handle Head: T-mortise Frog: snakewood (portion toward stick replaced as a repair with dark hardwood, possibly ironwood); narrow silver ferrule; no heel-plate; later nickel-silver lining; large mother-of-pearl ovals inlaid on sides of frog; silver slide; possibly later Adjuster: snakewood; two nickel-silver bands with rounded inner profiles; mother-of-pearl eye; oversized Tip plate: ebony-lined ivory Wrapping: silver-tinsel-covered black and black thread Grip: none

Dimensions

732 mm long Stick length: 716 mm Head height: 23.3 mm Head width (bottom): 9.1 mm Stick width near tip: 5.6 mm (top to bottom); 5.3 mm (side to side) Stick width near middle: 7.6 mm (top to bottom); 7.5 mm (side to side) Stick width at end of handle: 8.0 mm (top to bottom); 8.0 mm (side to side) Frog height: 20.9 mm (front); 20.5 mm (back) Frog length (top): 46.4 mm Frog length (bottom): 46.0 mm Frog width (top): 7.8 mm (front); 7.8 mm (back) Frog width (bottom): 12.5 mm (front); 11.2 mm (back) Weight (without hair): 48.3 grams