

Always use a bow stringer to string your bow! - Do not string this bow using the step through method.

How to use provided bow stringer:

1. Starting on the side with 2 string grooves, slide the bow string past these grooves and onto the upper limb of the bow.
2. Insert the other end of the bow string into the single string groove found on the lower limb of the bow.
3. Place one loop of the bow stringer on top of the bow string that is already in the single string groove.
4. Insert the other end of the bow stringer into the outer string groove on the upper limb. The inner groove will still be open.
5. After ensuring the loops of the bow stringer are firmly in place: Step on the middle of the bow stringer, pull the bow upwards and slide the other end of the bow string into the inner string groove of the upper limb.
6. Remove the bow stringer, and inspect the bow again to make sure that the bow string is fully in place.
7. Unstring the bow when you are done using it by reversing the same process.

Use proper arrows for this bow:

1. Make sure the arrow spine matches this bow.
2. Use an arrow with a weight that is between 8-12 grains per pound of draw weight. An arrow that is too light simulates a dry fire.
3. Use an arrow that is appropriate for your draw length and never draw this bow past 32" (30" for the Menominee style bow)

Storing this bow:

1. Store this bow unstrung.
2. Store this bow inside in a temperature and humidity controlled location.
3. Storing this bow horizontal is best, if you can't store it horizontal then leave one string loop in the lower string groove of the bow and hang it up, do not lean it against a wall with the tip on the ground for long periods of time.

Other tips:

1. If it is cold outside then make sure to warm up your bow before shooting. To warm up your bow, rub your hand on the limbs to create heat from the friction. Then do several short draws of the string, slowly working up to a full draw. This bow is wood and in order to remain flexible, it contains a small amount of moisture that can freeze. If the bow is frozen, it can become brittle.
2. Do not leave this bow in a hot car, if you accidentally do, then let it come back down to room temperature before shooting it and start with several short draws before working up to a full draw.
3. This bow has 4 dip coats of water based, oil modified polyurethane. It does not need to be re-oiled often like other oiled bows. If the finish gets dull over time and you wish to re-vitalize the finish, do not sand through the existing finish as it can disrupt the tiller of the bow.
4. Do not carve, wood-burn, or make any other alterations to this bow.
5. If you ever drop the bow, carefully inspect the bow for dents, dings, or other damage before using the bow. If you find any damage, speak to a longbow expert before using the bow.

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