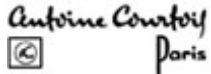


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HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR TRUMPET



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HOW TO LOOK AFTER YOUR TRUMPET

- ♪ Insert the mouthpiece into the mouthpipe and give a gentle twist. Don't hit it on the end, or the mouthpiece could get stuck.
- ♪ If the mouthpiece does get stuck, don't try to remove it with pliers or other tools, as this can cause more damage to the trumpet - bring it to our shop and we will remove it free of charge using a special tool.
- ♪ Oil the valves weekly — remove one valve at a time by carefully untwisting the valve cap (not the finger button on the stem) and carefully pulling out the valve. Pull the valve out straight, not on an angle as this can bend the valve and stop it working. Apply a few drops of oil, and carefully slide the valve back in the casing.
- ♪ Each valve has a number showing its position in the trumpet (1, 2 or 3) These valves need to stay in the same order, with 1 nearest to the mouthpiece, and the number on the valve pointing towards the mouthpiece.



- ♪ After you have finished playing, use a soft cloth to wipe your fingerprints off the trumpet. This will ensure the finish stays in top condition.
- ♪ Always store your trumpet in its case when not in use; this will help prevent damage and aids in keeping it clean and dust-free. Always take the mouthpiece out of the trumpet and store it in the space provided in the case. Please, **NEVER** leave the trumpet on a chair or the floor, or standing on its bell!

- ♪ Do not place anything in the case that can press on the trumpet (e.g. large cloths or music) - this can put pressure on the slides and valves when you close the case. Keep any accessories (lyre, oil etc) in the appropriate space in the case; don't leave them loose in the case where they can rattle and bump the trumpet and cause damage.
- ♪ There is nothing on the trumpet that you (or your teacher) should need to "tweak" - this is our job, and we're only too happy to help! Please do not bend or twist slides or springs, or you could cause serious damage, and could mean you need to bring it back to our shop for resetting.
- ♪ Periodic maintenance will keep your trumpet working perfectly. The mouthpiece can be washed in soapy water to keep it from a build-up of food and germs! The slides will benefit from a little amount of grease to keep them moving freely.
- ♪ Please, treat the case with as much care as the trumpet - if you have a hire instrument and cover it in stickers or "Twink", or let your pet sleep in it, you may be charged an extra cleaning fee.

Always ask if you are not sure about something with your trumpet - ring us any time!

We are more than happy to answer any questions, and it's better to check first than to fix later!



**MOST IMPORTANTLY -
ENJOY IT!**