



# Introduction and Guide to the **Keyhole Flip Top Piano Shell**

Thank you and congratulations on buying a Keyhole Flip Top piano shell. This highly crafted stage prop is designed to give you years of service with the right care and maintenance.

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<http://www.keyholeshells.com>

- Before You Begin:
  - Check the contents of the packaging to ensure they arrived safely.
- About:
  - The Keyhole is hand-made from natural materials.
  - The carcass is made with a 9-ply or better Russian Birch that is glued, screwed and stapled together for strength.
  - As dimensionally stable as the shell is, some wood movement due to humidity and temperature change is expected, if not desired.
- Safety:
  - The shell, while not too heavy can be awkward to move. Practicing safe lifting and moving techniques is important.
  - **Danger: DO NOT stand or sit on the shell.**
  - The shell can tip so take precautions.
- Assembly:
  - Set the lid aside.
  - Turn the shell upside down and locate legs and hardware in hardware bin.
  - Use the supplied wing bolts to secure the legs to the bottom of the shell.
  - Do not use tools to assemble the Keyhole, hand-tight is fine.
  - Turn shell over carefully.
    - Attach optional pedal lyre.
  - Attach the lid to the hinges.
  - See online videos and tutorials for more information about using and setting up the Keyhole. <http://www.keyholeshells.com>
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- Accessories:
  - Your keyhole is equipped with an accessory mounting point at each side. Use the supplied threaded stand for mounting a monitor or microphone stand.
    - Additional stands are available and at custom lengths.
    - Note: other accessory and accessory ideas can be found at <http://www.keyholeshells.com>
- Care:
  - Use a damp cloth with mild soap to clean the shell. Do NOT use harsh chemicals or abrasive pads.

- Storage/Transport:
  - The shell is designed to be transported with the curved edge down, or upside down. Other orientations are okay, but the legs may not be as secure.
  - The legs, hardware bin and microphone boom are the only items designed to store in the shell. Exceptions are made only at the factory. Storing or transporting any additional items or materials may void any implied warranties.
  - A case is recommended for transportation.
  
- Repair:
  - Some damage can be repaired. See tutorials online for more information.
  
- Replacement:
  - For parts, replacement or repair, contact a representative of Keyhole.
  
- Notes:

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