

BW Bows – Making Archery Affordable and Easy

“Take-Down Bows”

Instructions, Tips and Solving Problems

Take Down Bows are a special breed of bows and have benefits and downsides. First, the primary reason I make Take Down Bows is to reduce shipping charges. Shipping can be really high on a full length bow so I decided to make a break down or a take down bow to reduce shipping.

A Take Down bow is simply a bow that breaks apart in the middle for storage, transport or shipping. If you bought a take down bow you might need a few instructions in order to operate this bow. I want to help you put the bow together, string it and solve a few problems that are specific to take down.



The picture to the right is of a take down bow.

You might already know how to operate a take-down bow but I am going to provide you with a few tips just in case this is your first take down bow.

Assembly: A Take Down bow consist of two pieces, the top and the bottom. The bottom piece is the piece with the arrow guide attached to the side.

The Arrow guide is a little piece of plastic attached to the bow in order to rest the arrow and guide the fletch “feathers” along a straight path. The limb with the arrow guide is the bottom limb.

Line Up The Limbs by looking at the tips of the bow.

Put the two limbs together. Make sure the top of each side is lined up and put the top into the bottom.

Problem area note: When you put it together make sure you push the top in as far as it will go.

You might need some Vaseline to get it in and out easier. **Please try it first without Vaseline.** If the bow gets stuck and you can't get it to break down please ask someone to help you by pulling from both ends. If that happens put Vaseline on the inside of the bottom “Female” end before putting it together again. If there is a problem please call or email me and I will tell you what to do. Not every bow will need Vaseline to connect but some might. Now just push the top into the bottom and make sure the tops, where sting attaches, are lined up straight. **Note: The Black Lighting Bow is not a take down bow so please ignore the top part of these instructions.**

Problem Area Note: If you are not concerned about breaking the bow down you can glue the bow together with pvc glue or super glue. Gluing the bow together will reduce noise, squeak and give the bow more stability. I SUGGEST YOU GLUE THE BOW IF POSSIBLE.

Stringing: Stringing a take down bow sounds easy but it can turn into a nightmare if you don't know what you are doing

First, you have been supplied with a pre-set string made out of 550 para cord. This is a good string but you might want to replace it with a Dacron string if you really get into archery.

Note: If you have a recurve bow be sure to watch the video.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=UPkXRtNHQfY

If you have a long bow the video will help you see how to position your feet and use your shoulder to string the bow.

Now, Place one end of the string into the slot at the top of the bow. Place the end with the string already attached on the ground. To bend the bow, so you can attach the string to the other end, place your left foot through the string and your right foot behind the end on the ground and push as hard as you can. The best thing to do is take a look at the utube video if you are having problems with stringing the bow. The string should be tight and straight. The curves at each end should be facing away from you when stringing. Link to Video:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=LKvdcnX2vUQ

Please watch this to see how to string a recurve bow.

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Problem Area: If your string slips and your bow loses tension here is what to do: First remove the tape and re-tie the knot. If you have a problem with the knot tying looking for how to tie an over and under knot on utube. Second, you can buy more 550 para-cord at any hardware store for only a few dollars and make your own string. **Third, you can order strings on line as long as you know the specific length you want.** Fourth, if you have a problem just write or give me a call.

The Arrow: Not all arrows are made the same. The arrow I sent with the bow is target arrow and only for immediate use after receiving your bow. **You need to buy a few arrows.**

Problem Area: When shooting the arrows make sure the fletch/feather single color fletch is pointing outward so the two same colored feathers will go through the arrow guide. This is very important for allowing the arrow to go straight. If you have any problems just drop me an email or call.

According to which bow you have it might take a little muscle and practice to shoot straight. Make sure to release the arrow smoothly. Let me encourage you to just keep practicing and watch a few videos on how to shoot a bow and arrow if you are having problems.

As I am told about problems you are having I will address it on the website. Please write or call when you have a problem so I can attempt to change the function of the bow and help others who might have the same problem.

I really do hope you have a great time with with your bow.. If you have any question please just send me an email and I will see what I can do to help. Remember this is not a toy so please be careful.

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More Links on utube that might help:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=LKvdcnX2vUQ

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=p9m952PWgB0

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=gmdw_Ol0qbs

IF YOU NEED HELP PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO WRITE OR CALL 805-975-7421. I am going to make more videos. I do care if you enjoy your bow.

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