



The parts of your flute are:

1. Head Joint
2. Body
3. Foot Joint

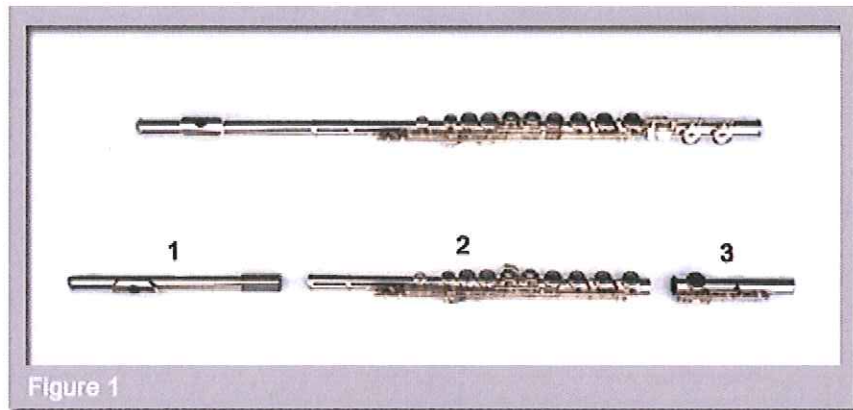


Figure 1

### **ASSEMBLY**

- Keep the areas of contact (where the instrument pieces join together) clean by wiping them inside and out.
- Hold the instrument firmly and slowly rotate the parts to join them together. Avoid squeezing the rods and keys when assembling (Figure 2 & 3).



Figure 2



Figure 3

- The embouchure hole on the head joint should be lined up with the tone holes on the main body section. The rod on the foot joint section should be lined up with the tone holes on the main body section.
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### **CLEANING THE INSIDE**

- Each time you finish playing, carefully disassemble the instrument and insert the wire handled swab into each section of the flute (Figure 4).
- As an alternative, you may also use the polishing gauze along with a cleaning/tuning rod. Pull a piece of the gauze through the hole at the end of the rod and then wrap it so that the end of the rod is covered. Gently swab out each section of the flute.
- Removing the moisture from the bore will help to prolong the life of the pads and maintain the playability of your flute.

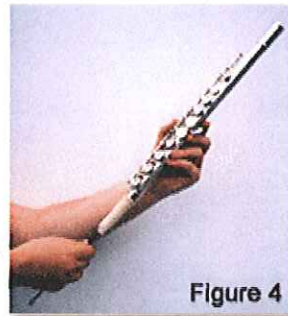


Figure 4

### **CLEANING THE OUTSIDE**

- Use a polish cloth to gently polish away any tarnish and restore the original finish to your flute.

- Use a plain polish cloth to wipe away any fingerprints after each time you play.
- It is very important to avoid rubbing the pads when polishing your flute.
- If your flute develops excessive tarnish between the keys it is best to take it to a qualified technician to disassemble and clean it properly. You can reduce the tarnishing of the finish by putting the instrument back in its case after each use.

### **CLEANING THE PADS**

- If a pad becomes sticky, it can be cleaned with cleaning paper or a clean dollar bill.
- Take one sheet of the cleaning paper and insert it between the pad and tone hole. Lightly press the key closed while gently pulling the paper out. Repeat this several times. This will clean off residue and excess moisture.

### **IMPORTANT TIPS**

- NEVER put your flute in water! Doing so would result in costly repair.
- DO NOT use liquid silver polish as it is messy and can very easily lead to problems with your flute.
- Avoid squeezing the keys and rods.