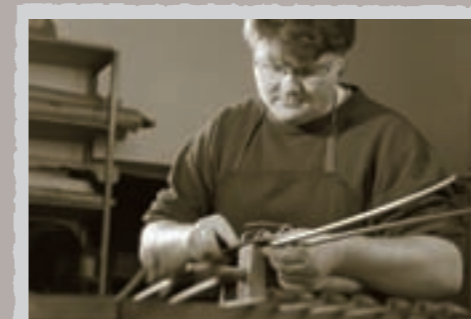
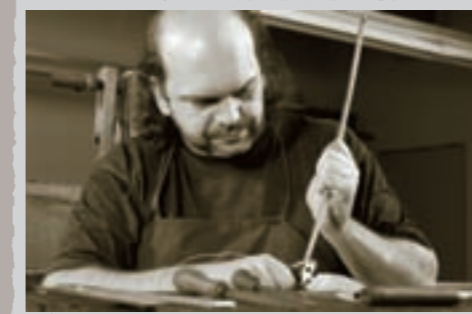
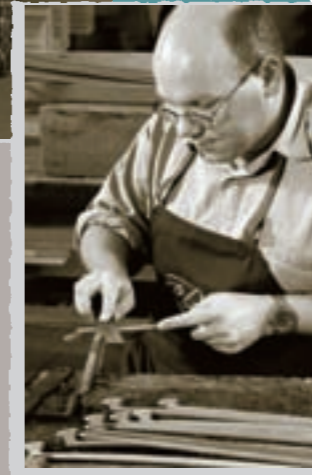




THE BOW MAKERS



Paesold's bow-making workshop in Hagenau, Germany shares an affinity with bow-making that stretches back over 100 years. Using skills that evolved during this time, Paesold Master Bow Makers supervise all the work that goes into crafting a Paesold bow. Their attention to detail and appreciation of the history and traditions of bow making has assured Paesold's reputation is unsurpassed. Master Bow Makers are also responsible for purchasing wood, a duty which includes regular visits to Brazil to personally inspect and select the pernambuco and brazilwood. This large stock of natural air dried wood allows Paesold to be a major supplier of wood to other bow makers.

About the wood

All wood used for making Paesold bows is air dried in the traditional manner. To help determine wood quality in the early stages of bow construction Paesold employs the use of Arcometer® testing. Unique to Paesold, this testing combined with visual and physical inspection by Master Bowmakers ensures perfectly weighted, consistently high quality balanced bows. At this stage of the construction process, each stick is graded in the Paesold manner in relation to its model and mounting materials. As work progresses on each stick, they are frequently visually inspected for defects and physically tested in the traditional manner of bow making to ensure the potential playing qualities of the bow are fully realized.

Wood quality ranking

- ◆ Nickel Silver
- ◆ Sterling Silver *
- ◆ Sterling Silver **
- ◆ Sterling Silver ***
- ◆ Gold ***

About the finish

To add color to the stick and bring out the figure in the wood, Paesold employs the traditional method of using ultraviolet light. After this the sticks are French Polished with shellac.

- ◆ All Paesold bows are hand crafted from wood sourced by Paesold masters from Brazil
- ◆ Paesold employ a 100% natural air drying process.
- ◆ Unique Arcometer® test plus visual and physical inspection by Master Bowmakers
- ◆ Sticks are colored by ultraviolet light and French Polished with Shellac.
- ◆ All bows are leather lapped with Nickel Silver, Sterling Silver or Gold winding.
- ◆ All work controlled by Master Bowmaker.