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The **Muse Strings** library is crafted exclusively for the Muse Sounds engine by the Muse Sounds team and carefully optimised for playback from notation.

By creating our Muse Libraries in-house, the Muse Sounds team has managed to keep tight controls over how the instruments are sampled with the exact design purpose of superior playability from notation.

Muse Strings contains both orchestral solo and ensemble strings.

Instruments Included

Violin 1 Solo
Violin 2 Solo
Viola Solo
Cello Solo
Violins 1
Violins 2
Violas
Cellos
Contrabasses

Key Articulations (not available in all instruments)

Advanced Legato: Ensures smooth, connected notes during regular playing.

Fast Runs Mode: Triggered for notes played in quick succession.

Col Legno

Harmonics

Marcato

Pizzicato

Snap pizzicato (Bartok)

Portamento

Staccato

Staccatissimo

Accent

Sustain - Senza vibrato and Espressivo

Sul Ponticello

Sul Tasto

Tenuto

Tremolo - unmeasured and accent

Trills - up to a diminished 5th, accented whole and half

Special Effects (not available in all instruments)

Fall

Accessing Playing Techniques in MuseScore

Many of the playing techniques in MuseScore Studio are accessible through the **Staff Text** feature. To apply a playing technique, first select the starting note for the technique, then assign Staff Text to it. Next, click on the speaker icon above the staff of the assigned note to open the Playing Techniques menu. From there, you can select the desired playing technique. If there are more than eight techniques available, you may need to scroll to see all options.



Fall is accessible with the fall symbol.


Col legno, Sul Ponticello, Sul tasto, Bartok, non-vibrato and pizzicato are accessible with **Staff text**.

Playback Details

By default, the **Standard preset** plays back with a moving legato. For phrases where individual notes are faster, the playback automatically switches to a special “Fast” mode, which blurs the sound, mimicking real-life player techniques. Non-legato is an option under the “Playing techniques” within Staff text.

The **Classic Phrasing preset** plays back without legato until a slur is added or legato is selected in “Playing techniques” within Staff text.

The sustains are sampled in up to three dynamics, from pp to ff, and smoothly morph between them to produce realistic crescendos and decrescendos. For

 **Tip:** For faster writing, consider using shorter, more defined samples, such as marcatos or staccatos. By writing "marcato" in the text, all notes until the next text instruction will play back using this articulation. You can optionally hide this text if you don't want it visible in the printed score. If you need additional speed or dexterity, give this a try!

short notes, there are up to eight repetition samples, enhancing realism during repeated notes.

The Sul Tasto articulation provides an incredibly delicate, airy texture that is worth exploring - it works particularly well for high chords, or long evolving sustained notes.

About Muse Sounds

Muse Sounds is a new label of high quality playback instruments for MuseScore Studio and StaffPad.

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Painstakingly recorded and edited specifically for the custom and revolutionary playback engine that powers these applications, they are capable of rendering incredibly lifelike results which breathe realism and emotion into your compositions.

The first releases from Muse Sounds cover the symphony orchestra, choral voices and essential guitars. These beautifully crafted instrument packs are available exclusively in Muse Hub, many of which are free.

Thank you for supporting Muse Sounds!

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