

PUTTING AWAY YOUR CLARINET

1. Take the reed off the mouthpiece and dry it, then put it in your reed holder. If you don't dry the reed it will soon start to rot!
2. Take all the pieces of the instrument apart. Dry off the mouthpiece with a cloth, especially inside, and put it away. If you don't dry the mouthpiece it will get covered in gunk and start to smell!!! Occasionally wash the mouthpiece with cool water only. Hot or warm water will damage the mouthpiece.
3. Use the cloth pull-through to dry each section one at a time. Put the cloth through each section twice and wipe inside the joint to dry it properly. If you don't dry the clarinet it will get nasty germs and smelly things growing inside!
4. Put the case in a safe place. This should be away from heaters as they are bad for the clarinet. Store the case on the floor somewhere and not up high to stop it falling onto the floor or getting hot in summer.

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