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Rimowa partners with instrument manufacturer Gewa for musical release

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French violin soloist Renaud Capuon plays his historic "Panette Stem," which he transported to a special performance in New York in the limited-edition Violin Case Silver. Image credit: Rimowa

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LVMH-owned German luggage brand **Rimowa**, in harmony with compatriot institution Gewa, is honoring its native country's renowned reputation for precision and craftsmanship with its latest release.

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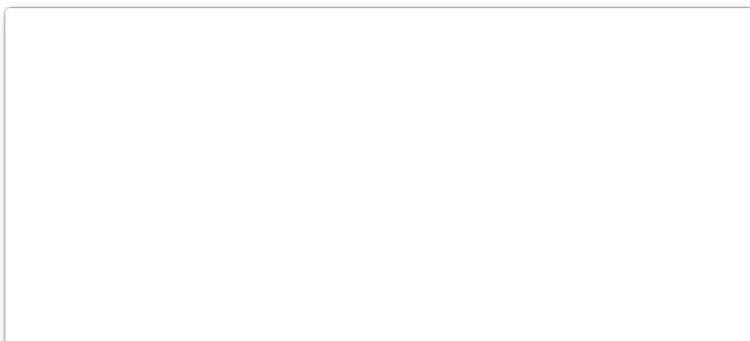
The special-edition Rimowa x Gewa Violin Case Silver is the first collaboration between the luggage brand and Gewa, a leading maker and distributor of fine musical instruments and accessories, founded in Germany in 1925.

To demonstrate the case's ability to protect even the most precious instruments, renowned French violin soloist Renaud Capuon brought the case with him to a recent major performance in New York.

Fine tune

The exterior of this violin case features Rimowa's trademark grooved aluminum, which was also present in the brand's recent collaboration with United Kingdom-based skateboarding and clothing brand Palace ([see story](#)), while the interior is hand-finished microfiber.

Though that interior affords adjustability to any neck length, the case is best suited to and 4/4 violins. To protect the instrument's wood from warping, thereby affecting its quality of sound, the case boasts both a hygrometer and humidifier to measure and optimize humidity levels within the interior.



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Other features include a protective blanket, a shoulder strap for carrying and two TSA-approved locks.

Testing the case's ability to safeguard even the most precious instruments, violin virtuoso and friend of house Rimowa Renaud Capuon trusted the case to carry his "Panette Stern" violin, built by storied violin maker Giuseppe Guarneri in 1737, to New York for a performance.

Mr. Capuon has played the instrument, on loan from Swiss Bank, since 2005, joining a long line of famous hands through which the violin has passed over the last three centuries.

German classical music is among the most performed in the world, thanks to composers Beethoven, Bach and Brahms, whose contributions are so ubiquitous and perennial that they are often referred to as the three Bs.

The Rimowa x Gewa Violin Case Silver will be available in very limited quantities beginning March 23 at a price point of \$3,096. Those interested can visit Rimowa stores and at Rimowa's [site](#).

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