



# Replacing Strings on a Mandolin

Learn all you need to know to properly replace strings on your Gretsch New Yorker Mandolin.

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## INTRODUCTION

This guide gives step-by-step instructions for replacing strings in the most appropriate manner, ensuring that you can do some seriously righteous jamming on your New Yorker!

### **TOOLS:**

- Optional: Electronic Tuning Device (1)
- Pliers or Scissors (1)

### **PARTS:**

- [Mandolin Strings Gretsch New Yorker Mandolin \(1\)](#)

## Step 1 — Mandolin Strings



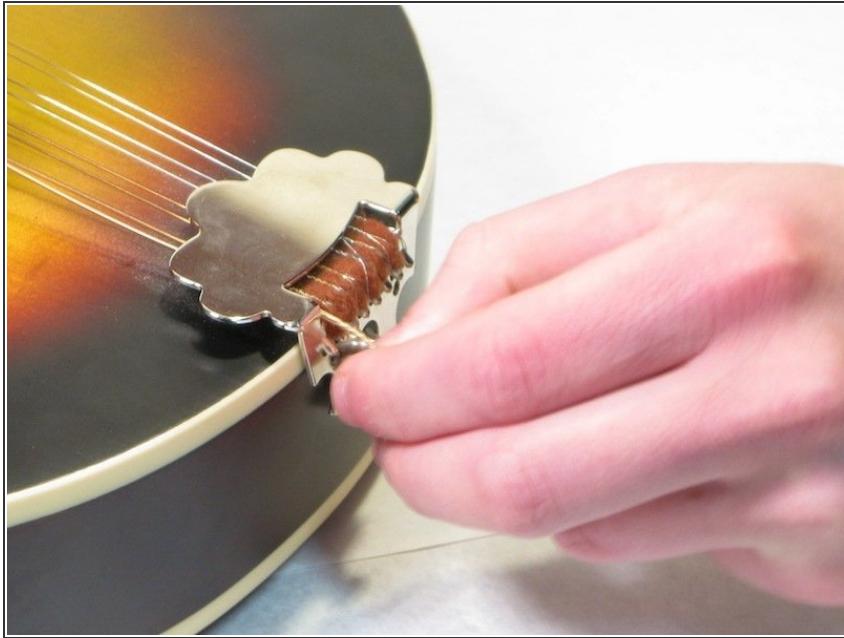
- Place the mandolin on a firm, level surface with adequate lighting.

## Step 2



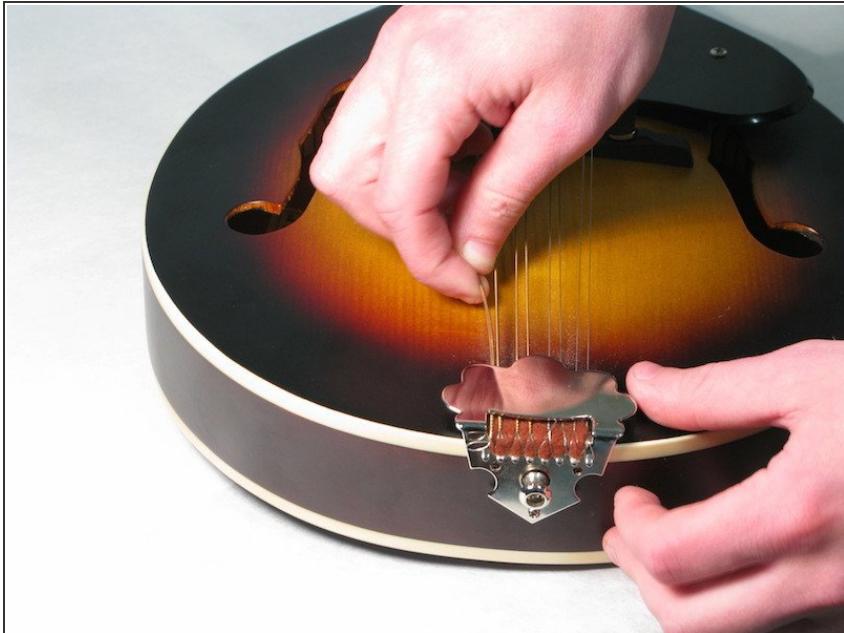
- Loosen the tuning nob.
- Carefully remove the top end of string from the tuner in the mandolin head.

## Step 3



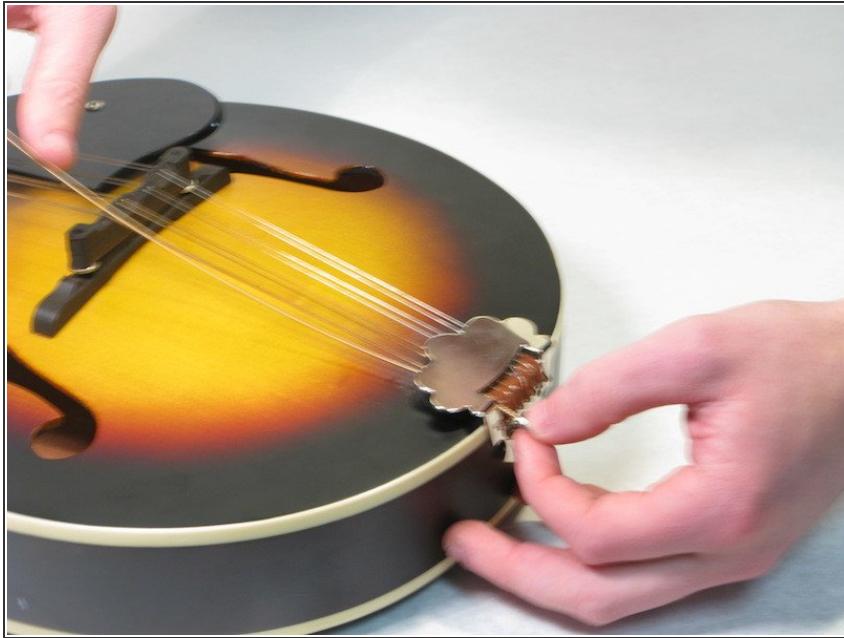
- Unhook the old string from the tail of the mandolin.
- Remove the string from the bottom.

## Step 4



- Select a new string, and then insert the bottom end of it through the bridge at the tail.

## Step 5



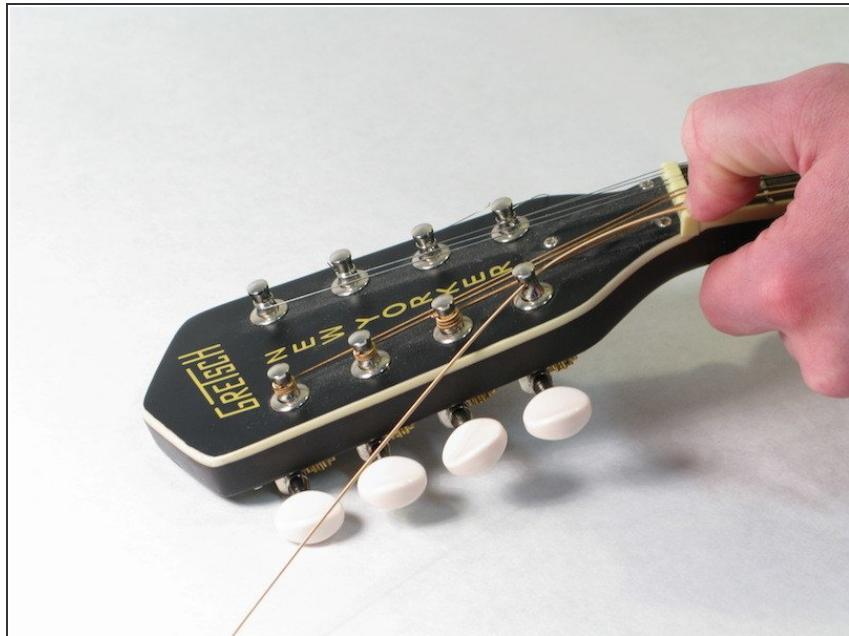
- Secure the string to the tail by looping it over the hook.

## Step 6



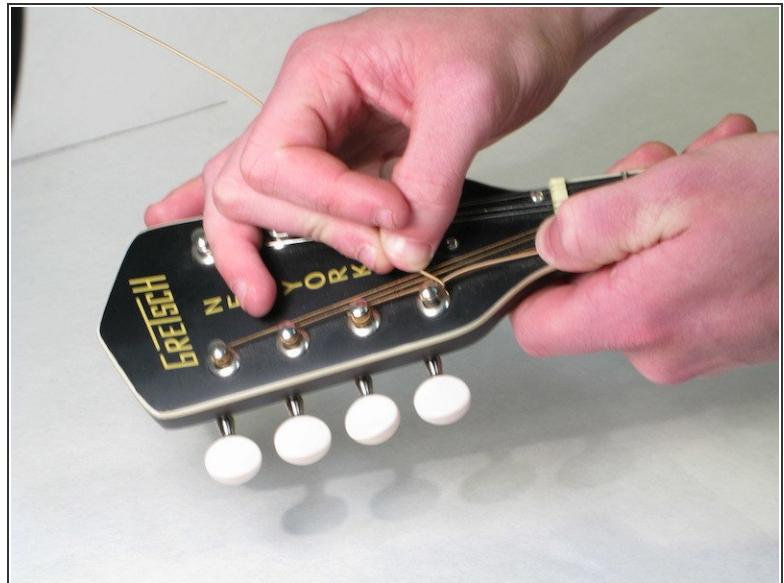
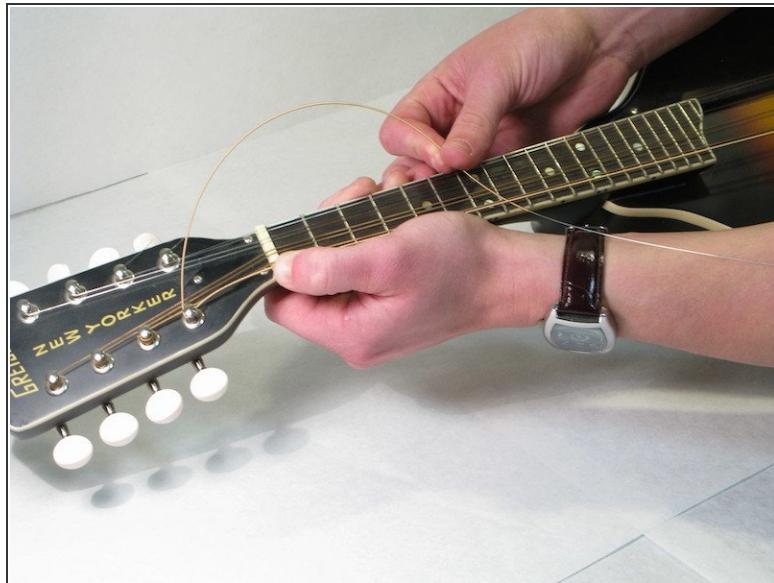
- Pulling the string taut, bring its top end across the nut and into the tuning peg.

## Step 7



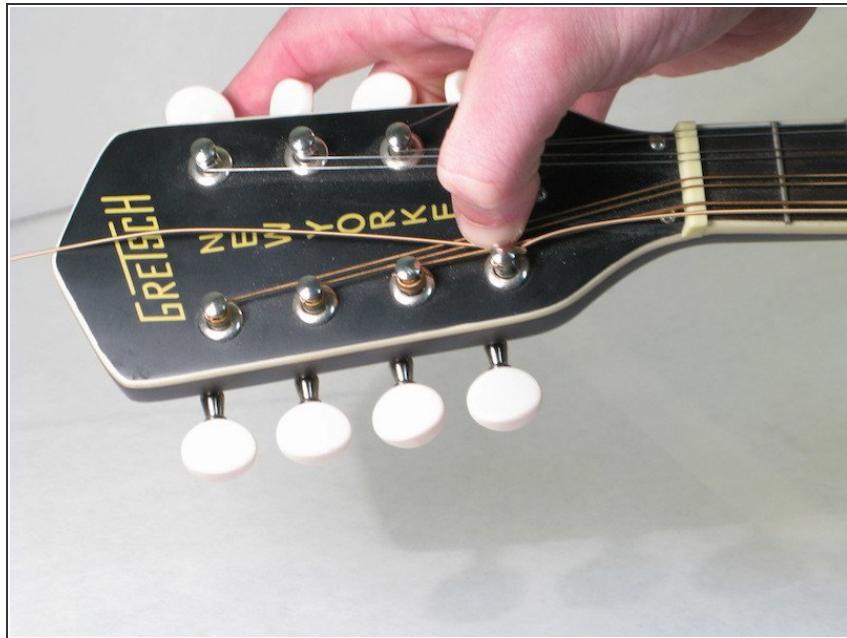
- Run the line through the tuning element at the head of the mandolin, as pictured. Be sure to pull the string away from the headstock.

## Step 8



- Pull the string down, towards the fretboard, and run the string underneath itself.
- Pull the string tight so that it wraps around the tuning peg.

## Step 9



- Pinch the string over itself to create a knot.

## Step 10



- Tighten the tuning nob until the desired tension is reached.

## Step 11



- Clip off any excess string.

## Step 12



- Optional: Clip the electronic tuning device to the head of the mandolin; use the device to assist in fine-tuning your mandolin.

## Step 13



- Commence rocking on with your Gretsch New Yorker!