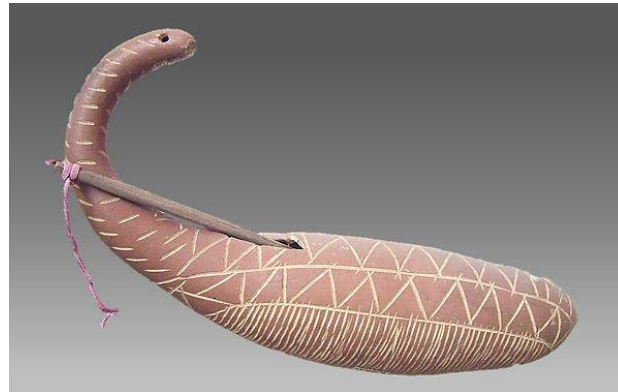


Stick Guiro

You will need :

- A stick which inspires you
- A saw or knife
- An Object to rub along your guiro – this could be another stick, a pen, a key – experiment!
- Sandpaper (optional)
- Pens / crayons to decorate (optional)



What is a guiro?

A guiro is a traditional instrument common throughout Latin America. It dates way back in history to the pre-Colombian period. Traditionally it would have been made from a dried, hollow gourd and played by scraping along carved ridges. Nowadays materials like plastic or metal may be used. It is a percussion instrument.

How to make your guiro:

- Put your stick on a flat surface and make a series of small cuts or notches. **Get an adult to help with this.**
- You might want to sand it to make it smooth or even draw patterns and designs on it with pens or crayons.
- Find something to strike along the stick to make a sound. It could be another stick or any other object you like the sound of.