audience (Continued)
BT ensemble
performer
auhos
An ancient Greek reed instrument typically played in pairs by one player.
BT double reed instrument
autaharp
BT plucked reed instrument
automatic instrument
USE mechanical instrument
automatic musical instrument
USE mechanical instrument
automatic organ
USE mechanical organ
automatophone
USE mechanical instrument
B♭ clarinet (soprano)
USE clarinet
B♭ contrabass clarinet
USE contrabass clarinet
B-flat clarinet (soprano)
USE clarinet
B-flat contrabass clarinet
USE contrabass clarinet
B♭ tuba
USE tuba
babadok
A small conical drum played by women in Timor-Leste.
UF babadok drum
BT drum
babadok drum
USE babadok
baby rattle
A toy rattle usually used to entertain infants, but sometimes used as a musical instrument.
BT rattle
toy instrument
baganā
USE begena
bālla
A Turkmen long-necked lute.
BT saz
bagpipe
UF biniou
cornemuse (bagpipe)
musette (bagpipe)
BT double reed instrument
NT border pipes
chiboni
dudy
Gaïta (bagpipe)
mīlānīce
Northumbrian small pipe
sordellina
Uilleann pipe
veuze
bagpipe band
USE pipe band
bajan
USE bayan
bajo sexto
A large 12-string Mexican guitar.
BT guitar
bala
USE bala
bālābān (double reed instrument)
A traditional cylindrical oboe of the Caucasas.
UF bālābān (double reed instrument)
BT double reed instrument
bālābān (single reed instrument)
A single reed instrument of the Uzbek and Tajik peoples of Central Asia.
UF balaman (single-reed instrument)
BT single reed instrument
balabatya
USE balalaika
balafo
USE balafo
balafof
USE balafo
balafof
USE balafo
balafo
USE balafo
balafo
USE balafo
balafo
USE balafo
balafo
USE balafo
balalaika
A Russian folk stringed instrument with a long neck and triangular body.
UF balalaiyka
balalayka
USE balalayka
BT plucked lute
balaščka ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more balalaikas.
UF bandoura
BT plucked instrument ensemble
balaščka orchestra
An ensemble consisting largely or wholly of balalaikas and domras of different sizes, usually including other Russian or Ukrainian folk instruments, percussion, woodwinds, and one or more bayans.
BT instrumental ensemble
balalayka
USE balalaika
balaman (double reed instrument)
USE bālāmān (double reed instrument)
balaman (single-reed instrument)
USE bālāmān (single reed instrument)
balaphon
USE bālāmān
bāla
USE balā
balita
USE valīha
balloon
UF aerostat
BT aerophore
baloon
USE percussion instrument
balo
A West African gourd-resonated frame xylophone.
UF bala
balafo
balafon
balafou
balaphon
bālāmān
BT mallet instrument
baltic psaltery
UF kannēles
kannel
kantele
kokle
BT psaltery
bamboo marimba
UF boo (bamboo marimba)
BT mallet instrument
bamboo pipe
USE pipe (musical instrument)
bambuso sonoro
An experimental bamboo organ designed by artist Hans van Koolwijk.
BT organ
bamsař
USE bānsūri
bānsūri
USE bānsūri
band
A large ensemble consisting primarily of winds, brass, and percussion.
UF concert band
military band
symphonic band
symphonic wind ensemble
symphonic winds
wind band
wind ensemble (band)
wind orchestra
wind symphony
BT instrumental ensemble
NT big band
brass band
drum and bugle corps
fife and drum corps
marching band
band, washboard
USE washboard band
band organ
USE fairground organ
bandola
USE banduria
bandolin
A 15-stringed instrument from Ecuador that derives from the bandurria and/ or bandola.
BT plucked lute
bandonon
A square button-key accordion popular in South America.
BT button-key accordion
bandora
A plucked wire-strung bass instrument invented in England in the 16th century.
UF pandora
BT plucked lute
bandoura
USE bandura
bandura
A Ukrainian plucked-string instrument which combines elements of lute and zither construction.
UF bandoura
BT plucked string instrument
bandurria
A plucked string instrument from Spain, Latin America, and the Philippines.
UF bandola
mandurria
BT plucked lute
bang zi
USE wood block
bangdī
UF dūndi
BT di zi
banggu
USE dan pi ku
bangzī
USE wood block
banjo
BT plucked lute
banjo uke
USE banjo ukulele
banjo ukulele
An instrument combining a banjo body and ukulele tuning.
UF banjo uke
banjolele
BT plucked lute
banjouke
USE banjo ukulele
banjulele
USE banjo ukulele
banjū
USE banjo ukulele
bankā
USE ekōn
bānsūri
USE bānsūri
bānsūri
One of various types of South Asian flutes.
UF bāmsař
bāṁsūri
bānsūri
bārsūri
bārsūri
hālar
husur
solor
BT ductless flute
bariton
USE bariton
baritone (singer)
USE baritone voice
baritone horn
The baritone instrument of the saxhorn family, pitched in B♭. For the tenor of the tuba family see euphonium
BT saxhorn
baritone saxophone
BT saxophone
baritone voice
UF baritone (singer)
BT male voice
medium voice
baroque lute
A lute popular in 17th-18th century Europe that has ten to thirteen courses, and the upper courses are tuned to an open D minor chord.
BT lute
barrel organ
A small organ played chiefly by street musicians, in which a barrel with pins or staples is activated by a hand crank.
UF Dutch organ
grinder organ
hand organ
street organ
BT mechanical organ
NT hydraulic barrel organ
barrel piano
A mechanical piano activated by a hand crank, with a pinned barrel or cylinder, played chiefly by street musicians.
UF cylinder piano
planette
piano organ
street piano
BT mechanical piano
barydon
USE baryton
baryton
USE baryton
An 18th century bowed string instrument similar to the bass viol, but with the addition of sympathetic wire strings which could also be plucked with the left thumb.
UF bariot
barydon
barydon
lara bastarda
paradon
paradon
paradon
viola di bordone
viola paredon
BT bowed lute
basque, tambour de
USE tambourine
bā̃surī
USE bānsurī
bass, electric
USE bass guitar
bass (electric guitar)
USE bass guitar
bass (singer)
USE bass voice
bass (stringed instrument)
USE double bass
bass-baritone (singer)
USE bass-baritone voice
base-baritone voice
UF bass-baritone (singer)
BT low voice
male voice
bass clarinet
A bass member of the clarinet family that is associated with Western art music and is generally pitched in B♭, an octave below the soprano clarinet.
BT clarinet
base drum
BT drum
bass flute
A flute pitched in C, an octave below the concert flute.
BT flute
bass flute (alto flute)
USE alto flute
bass guitar
UF bass, electric
bass (electric guitar)
USE bass guitar
BT electric guitar
bass guitar, acoustic
USE acoustic bass guitar
bass horn
USE tuba
bass marimba
BT marimba
bass pan
USE steel drum
bass recorder
BT recorder
bass saxophone
BT saxophone
bass trombone
BT trombone
bass trumpet
USE trumpet
bass tuba
USE tuba
bass viol
USE double bass
viola da gamba
bass violín
USE cello
bass voice
UF bass (singer)
BT low voice
male voice
bass clarinet
USE basset clarinet
A clarinet similar to the soprano clarinet but with an extended lower range.
BT clarinet
bassoon
BT double reed instrument
NT contrabassoon
tenoroon
bānsurī
USE bānsurī
bā̃surī
A double-headed hourglass drum of the Afro-Cuban Lucumi cult.
BT hourglass drum
bayan
A Russian chromatic button-key accordion developed in the 20th century.
UF bajan
BT button-key accordion
Bayreuth tuba
USE Wagner tuba
bazzoo
USE kazoo
bazzooka
USE kazoo
BB+ tuba
USE tuba
beak flute
USE recorder
beganna
USE begena
begana
An Ethiopian lyre with a box resonator.
UF baganā
beganna
BT lyre
bell
BT percussion idiophone
NT agogo
bian zhong
carillon
chimes
cowbell
ekôn
handbell
singing bowl
sistrum
tubular bells
bell, clock chime
USE clock chimes
bell, song
USE xylophone
bell, tower clock
USE clock chimes
bell lyra
USE glockenspiel
bell lyre
USE glockenspiel
bells, orchestra
USE glockenspiel
bells, orchestral
USE glockenspiel
bells (glockenspiel)
USE glockenspiel
benas
USE launeddas
berimbau
USE berimbau
berimbau
A single-string Brazilian musical bow with a gourd resonator that is played with a stick.
UF berimbau
berimbau de barriga
urucungu
BT musical bow
struck string instrument
berimbau de barriga
USE berimbau
bian zhong
A set of bronze bells of China.
UF pien chung
BT bell
bichromatic harmonium
A quarter-tone harmonium invented by Willi von Mönchendorff in the early 20th century.
UF harmonium, bichromatic
BT reed organ
big band
A band generally of 10-15 solo instruments, predominately winds, and sometimes including a vocalist, that performs jazz and popular music for social dancing.
UF big jazz band
dance band
dance orchestra (big band)
jazz band
jazz orchestra
stage band
BT band
big jazz band
USE big band
bill
USE guan
bimba
USE clapsicks
bilo
An ancient Russian percussion plaque or disc that is suspended from a tree.
BT percussion idiophone
bīn
USE vina
bin bādy
USE pin peat
bīnā
USE vina
bīnīou
USE bagpipe
bīnōn
USE algōjā
bīrū
A single-reed folk instrument of Lithuania.
BT single reed instrument
bīsōnas
USE launeddas
bīwa
A pear-shaped Japanese lute.
UF chikuzen-bīwa
gagaku-bīwa
gaku-bīwa
gogen-bīwa
heike-bīwa
kōjin-bīwa
mōsō-bīwa
nishiki-bīwa
nīshiki-bīwa
satsuma-bīwa
BT plucked lute
Black Sea fiddle
USE kamānche
Black Sea kemençe
USE kamānche
bladder and string
USE bumbass
bladder fiddle
USE bumbass
block instrument
USE gottrudavāmr
Blockflöte
USE recorder
blū
A Kurdish and Armenian open wooden end-blown flute.
UF blū
BT flūte
blū
USE blū
bodhrín
BT frame drum
body percussion
A performer who creates percussive sounds using body movements and body parts exclusively.
BT percussion idiophone
NT armpit squeezing
body slapping
finger snapping
foot tapping
hand clapping
head rapping
vocal percussion
whistling
body slapping
BT body percussion
Boehm flute
USE flute
bolingozō
USE dulzaina
bombarde (shawm)
USE shawm
bombardon
USE tuba
bonang
A gamelan instrument consisting of two rows of horizontal gong-kettles played with two sticks.
BT percussion idiophone
bone rattle
USE notched rattle
bones
A folk clapper consisting of a pair of animal bones, or pieces of wood or similar material, held between
caixa-surdal
USE surdo

cádín
A Latin American wooden box drum played with
the hands.
BT percussion idiophone

calabazo
USE guiro
calachon
USE calliope
calascione
USE cajon
calcedonio
USE cajón
caliçon
A bass lute with six to eight courses used primarily
for continuo in 18th and 19th century Germany,
Austria, and Bohemia.
UF cajón
calichon
USE calichón
calliope
An outdoor mechanical musical instrument
consisting of tuned steam whistles.
BT mechanical organ
calliope, explosion
USE pyrophone
calliope, fire
USE pyrophone
cambia voice
USE changing voice
campanula
A modern bowed string instrument invented by
Helmut Bleffert that is like a cello but with 16
additional resonating strings.
BT bowed lute
canzá
USE reco-reco
caracacá
USE reco-reco
carlö
BT bell
keyboard instrument
casaca
USE reco-reco
castanets
BT concussion idiophone
catá
A Cuban percussion instrument consisting of a
hollowed-out tree trunk open at both ends and struck
with wooden sticks.
UF hueco
BT concussion idiophone
catácatá
USE reco-reco
caudal wind bagpipes
USE border pipes
caudal wind pipes
USE border pipes
cavá
USE kaval
cavatella
USE alto horn
cavaquinho
A small four-stringed plucked instrument of
Portugal and Brazil.
UF braga
braguinha
machadão
machete
machete-de-braga
machetinho
BT plucked lute
CC tuba
USE tuba
célébrant
A performer who celebrates a rite or special
occasion and is explicitly required in the performance
of a musical work.
BT performer
célésta
BT keyboard instrument
percussion idiophone
cell phone
A mobile phone used as a musical instrument that
is explicitly required in the performance of a musical
work.
UF mobile phone
BT electronic instrument
cello
UF bass violin
trombón
BT bowed lute
NT electric cello
trombón piccolo
cello choir
USE cello ensemble
cello ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more cellos.
UF cello choir
BT bowed string ensemble
cellone
A large cello-like instrument tuned a fourth lower
than the cello.
BT bowed lute
Celtic harp
USE Irish harp
cembal d'amour
A large cembal on which the strings are struck
by tангегini at their precise mid-point.
BT clavichord
cembalo
USE harpsichord
cembalo verticalet
USE clavicytherium
cemene
USE kamânche
cenade
A cylindrical drum used widely in the Kerala and
Karnataka states of India.
UF cenede
cendra
chendan
chendamâlam
BT drum
cende
USE cendâ
cenò
USE cendra
ceruelas
USE rocket
ceruelat
USE racket
cobra
USE English guitar
côkhô
A plucked zither of Thailand with three strings, two
made of silk and the third of brass.
UF ja-ke
gîkhô
BT plucked string instrument
tube zither
chaméyê
USE shawm
chalmié
USE shawm
cuebano
A single-stringed instrument related to the clarinet.
UF mock trumpet
trombón, mock
BT single Reed instrument
tuelemântê
USE pipe (musical instrument)
tuelemânt (shawm)
USE shawm
chamáordon
An organ consisting of red pipes projected
horizontally through louveres in a church tower that
was invented in the 20th century.
BT organ
chamber orchestra
BT orchestra
chamber organ
USE cabinet organ
BT organ
chande
USE cendra
chang go
USE changgo
chango
A double-headed hourglass drum from Korea.
UF chang go
chungu
soyó go
sôlîchanggo
BT hourglass drum
chângî
USE changgo
changing voice
A male adolescent singer whose voice is in the
process of changing.
UF cambiata voice
BT male voice
charango
A small fretted plucked-string instrument of the
Andean region with a bowl made of an armadillo shell
or of wood shaped like an armadillo shell.
BT plucked lute
cherenê
USE cabacà
chemical harmonica
USE pyrophone
chênda
USE chenda
chêndamâlam
USE chenda
chêndzâ
USE suô na
chiboni
A droneless bagpipe from the Caucasian region.
UF chîbôni
gudâstvîri
tîstî
tîlûm
tûlûm
BT bagpipe
chikuzen-biwa
USE biwa
child (singer)
USE child's voice
child soprano (singer)
USE child soprano voice
child soprano voice
UF child soprano (singer)
soprano, child (singer)
BT child's voice
high voice
NT boy soprano voice
children's chorus
BT chorus
child's voice
UF child (singer)
BT singer
NT child soprano voice
chimes
An unspecified set of chimes.
BT bell
NT clock chimes
handchimes
chimes, orchestral
USE tubular bells
chimes (glockenspiel)
USE glockenspiel
chiming clock
USE clock chimes
chimoni
USE chiboni
chîn
USE qin
Chinese lute
USE pi pa
Chinese tom-tom
USE tom-tom
Chinese wood block
USE wood block
Chinese zither
USE zheng
ching (cymbals)
A small pair of hand cymbals from Southeast Asia.
BT concussion idiophone
ching (gong)
A large flat bronze gong of Korea.
BT gong
chipendari
A mouth-resonated musical bow of the Shona
people of Zimbabwe.
UF tahipendari
BT mouth bow
plucked string instrument
An acoustic piano with added digital technology

drill
An Aboriginal Australian brass instrument.

**dulcian**
A bowed idiophone consisting of a narrow, flat strip of wood anchored at one end, invented by Hans Rüetschi in the 1980s.

**deblek**
A double-headed cylindrical drum from Nepal.

**dulciana**
A long-necked, fretted fiddle of Northern India and Pakistan.

**dulcian**
An unspecified double reed instrument.

**dulcian**
A long-necked two-string plucked lute of Central Asia.

**dulcina**
A Chinese transverse flute.

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A zither with a keyboard manufactured in the early 20th century.

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drum corps
USE drum and bugle corps
USE drum kit
USE drum set
drum machine
Any of a broad range of electronic instruments that combine the functions of the synthesizer and the sequencer in a way specially adapted to the generation of polyphonic percussion patterns.
UF electronic drum
electronic percussion
preset rhythm machine
rhythm machine
sampling drum machine
BT electronic instrument
drum set
A collection of percussion instruments played by a single player, typically consisting of a snare drum, kick drum, toms, hi-hat, and cymbals.
UF drum kit
drumset
trap kit
drum set
traps
BT percussion instrument
drumset
USE drum set
duandii
USE bangdi
duct flute
An unspecified wind instrument on which a narrow duct directs the air stream against a sharp edge.
BT edge-blown instrument
NT algobi
atenteben
dvorgrle
flageolet
iwabue
khuil
melody flute
Native American flute
ocarina
penny whistle
pinkuku
pipe (musical instrument)
recorder
saxophone
slide whistle
suling
svirala
tarka
whistle
ductless flute
An unspecified wind instrument that does not have an air duct, and instead the player creates a ribbon-shaped stream of air with the lips.
BT edge-blown instrument
NT bañosufi
blul
di zi
file
flute
huang zhong
kagurabue
kaval
kōasu
kurai
limbe
nány (flute)
nókan
panpipes
quena
rytkei
saluang
sáo
shakuhachi
shinobue
šūpeljka
tanso
venu
washint
xiao
xun
dude
USE duppy
USE dudy
duduk (double reed instrument)
A double-reed instrument of ancient Armenian origin.
UF duduk
BT double reed instrument
duduk (duct flute)
USE svirala
duduki
USE duduk (double reed instrument)
dudy
A bagpipe found in Poland and Czech Republic.
UF dude
BT bagpipe
duff
USE daff
dulceola
USE dolceola
dulcian
A Renaissance double-reed in one piece, the predecessor of the modern bassoon.
UF curtail
dolcian
dolcinó
dolzoni
dulcian
BT double reed instrument
dulcímer
A zither whose strings are sounded by striking with hammers.
UF Hackbrett
hammer dulcimer
hammered dulcimer
salterio
BT struck string instrument
zither
NT cimbalom
khim
santur
tambah
yang qin
yangqum
yoochin (dulcimer)
dulcimer, American
USE Appalachian dulcimer
dulcimer, Appalachian
USE Appalachian dulcimer
dulcimer, Kentucky
USE Appalachian dulcimer
dulcimer, lap
USE Appalachian dulcimer
dulcimer, mountain
USE Appalachian dulcimer
dulcimer, plucked
USE Appalachian dulcimer
dulcimer ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more dulcimers.
BT instrumental ensemble
dulcitone
A tuning fork piano created by Thomas Machell in the late 19th century.
UF tuning fork piano
BT keyboard instrument
percussion idiophone
dulcitone
USE dulcizina
dulzaina
A double-reed folk instrument of Spain and the Basque region.
UF bolingozo
dolpaina
dolzaina
dulzaina
pito
BT double reed instrument
dulzian
USE dulcian
dumbelek
USE dümbek
dumbelek
USE darabukka
dümbek
BT goblet drum
dumbrak
USE dömbra
dündün
USE talking drum
dulâr
Any one of various types of long-neck fretted lutes of the Middle East and Central Asia.
UF dotâr
BT plucked lute
Dutch organ
USE barrel organ
dvorgria
USE dvorgria
dvorgria
USE dvorgria
dvorgria
USE dvorgria
USE dvorgria
USE dvorgria
dvorgria
A double flute of Herzegovina.
UF dvorgria
dvorgria
dvorgria
BT duct flute
dynaphone
USE telharmonium
e-cello
USE electric cello
E- clarinet (alto)
USE alto clarinet
E- clarinet (soprano)
USE soprano clarinet
E- contrabass clarinet
USE contra-alto clarinet
E-flat clarinet (alto)
USE alto clarinet
E-flat clarinet (soprano)
USE soprano clarinet
E-flat contrabass clarinet
USE contra-alto clarinet
E-flat horn
USE alto horn
e-guitar
USE electric guitar
E- horn
USE alto horn
e-violin
USE electric violin
dulcian
electric flute
USE electric flute
dulcimer
electric glockenspiel
USE electric glockenspiel
dulcimer
electric piano
USE electronic piano
dulcimer
electric piano
USE electronic piano
dulcimer
electric organ
USE electronic organ
electric piano
electric organ
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electric organ
USE electronic organ
electric piano
USE electronic piano
electric piano
USE electronic piano
electric piano
USE electronic piano
electric piano
flûte d'amour
USE: flûte d'amour

flûte d'amour
A member of the flute family that is associated with Western art music and is pitched in A or B♭, between the C concert flute and the G alto flute.
UF: amore, flûte d’
flauto d’amore
flute d’amore
Liebesflöte
BT: flute

flute ensemble
USE: flute choir

flute-playing clock
USE: musical clock

fluviol
USE: fluviol

folk bass guitar
USE: acoustic bass guitar

foot clapping
USE: foot clapping

foot percussion
USE: foot tapping

foot tapping
USE: foot clapping
foot clapping
foot percussion
foot tapping
BT: body percussion

fortepiano
USE: piano

frame drum
A struck drum, with or without handles, in which the depth of the body does not exceed the circumference of the membrane.
BT: drum
NT: bodhrán
daff
pajái
ravané
tamborim
tambourine
tar (drum)

free aerophone
An aerophone in which the vibrating air is not confined by the instrument.
BT: aerophone
NT: bull-roarer

free reed instrument
An instrument in which the reeds move freely at one end, not overlapping any opening.
BT: aerophone
NT: accordion
mouth organ
pitchpipe
reed organ
French horn
USE: horn
fretless zither
USE: harp zither
fretted instrument
USE: bowed string instrument

friction drum
A drum in which the membrane is made to vibrate through direct or indirect friction.
BT: drum
NT: cuica
ekue
friction idiophone
USE: idiophone
BT: idiophone
friction instrument
NT: clavicylinder
cristal
daxophone
glass
glass harmonica
musical saw
singing bowl
verrophone
waterphone
wind machine
friction instrument
An instrument sounded by the use of direct or indirect friction to the instrument itself.
BT: instrument
NT: bowed string instrument
friction drum
friction idiophone
hurdy-gurdy
friction idiophone
USE: svirala
full orchestra
USE: orchestra
gadulka
USE: gudulka
Gaelic harp
USE: Irish harp
gagaku-biwa
USE: biwa
galatka (bagpipe)
BT: bagpipe
galatka (pipe)
UF: flauta pastoril
BT: pipe (musical instrument)
gakku-biwa
USE: biwa
galatka
USE: calichon
galatik
USE: calichon
galatikone
USE: calichon
galatikonz
USE: calichon
galoubat
UF: jombarde
BT: pipe (musical instrument)
gamba, viola da
USE: viola da gamba
gamba (family of viols)
USE: viol
gambang
A wooden or bamboo xylophone of Malaysia and Indonesia.
BT: xylophone
gamelan
An ensemble from Bali, Java, and the surrounding areas consisting of various gongs, metallophones, and drums.
UF: gamelan
BT: instrumental ensemble
NT: gamelan degung
gamelan genggong
gamelan gong kebyar
gamelan jegog
gamelan joged bumbung
gamelan semar pegulingan
gamelan degung
A small gamelan ensemble from Sunda.
BT: gamelan
gamelan genggong
A gamelan ensemble from Bali.
BT: gamelan
gamelan gong gede
A large gamelan ensemble associated with Balinese temples and old court ceremonies.
UF: gong gede
BT: gamelan
gamelan gong kebyar
A 20th century gamelan from North Bali.
UF: gong kebyar
BT: gamelan
gamelan jegog
A gamelan consisting of bamboo xylophones from West Bali.
UF: jegog
BT: gamelan
gamelan joged bumbung
A gamelan consisting of four or more tinglik with added flutes, drums and gong, used to accompany social dance.
UF: gamelan joged bumbung
joged bumbung
pejoged bumbung
BT: gamelan
gamelan joged bumbung
USE: gamelan joged bumbung
gamelan semar pegulingan
USE: gamelan semar pegulingan
gamelan semar pegulingan
A court gamelan from Bali.
UF: gamelan semar pegulingan
semar pegulingan
semar pegulingan
BT: gamelan
gamelan
gamila
USE: gudulka
gan gan
USE: agogo
ganglang
USE: talking drum
ganzà
USE: reco-reco
gao hu
A string instrument similar to the er hu, but smaller and with a higher tone.
UF: gao hu
high hu
yue hu
BT: hu qin
gadio
USE: bangdi
gadhu
USE: gao hu
garmon
USE: accordion
gayagum
USE: kayagum
gazoo
USE: kazo
kazoooka
USE: kazo
kazooota
USE: kazo
gy had
A large four-stringed Chinese instrument from the 1950s that is tuned like a cello.
UF: gihu
BT: hu qin
giheu
USE: ge hu
gemendze
USE: kamâńche
gender
A multi-octave mallet instrument from Java and Bali.
BT: mallet instrument
genggang
USE: Jaw’s harp
gharâ
USE: ghata
ghata
UF: gharâ
ghâtî
kâłam
BT: drum
ghâtî
USE: ghata
ghîchakh
UF: gîzhakh
gijak
BT: bowed lute
gîzhakh
USE: ghîchakh
gijak
USE: ghîchakh
gimbri
USE: gûnîbî
gojâl
USE: gûdulka

glass
A glass of any shape or size manipulated to produce sound.
BT: friction idiophone
glass harmonica
USE: armonicâ
glasses, musical
glass harmonica, glass musical glasses
BT: friction idiophone
glasses, musical
USE: glass harmonica
verrophone
glaw-ng a
USE: kluông a
glaw-ng yao
USE: kluông yao
glit-bu
USE: limbe
gling-bu
USE: limbe
glock
USE: glockenspiel
glockenspiel
UF: bell lyra
bell lyre
bells, orchestra
bells, orchestral

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glockenspiel (Continued)
bells (glockenspiel)
chimes (glockenspiel)
glock
lyra, bell
lyre, bell
orchestra bells
orchestral bells
BT mallet instrument
gmbri
USE gunibri
gnubri
USE gunibri
goblet drum
BT drum
NT darabukka
djembe
dümbelek
fèli
kîng åfe
kîng yão
zARB
goè
USE tupan
godie
USE goge
gogue
UF godie
goje
gojo
BT bowed lute
gogen-giwa
USE bîwa
gogo (lute)
USE gunibri
gôjé
USE goje
gom-gom
USE gôra
gôma
USE ngoma
gombrì
USE gunibri
gomo
USE ngoma
gomungo
USE kómun-gô
gông
BT percussion idiophone
NT ching (gông)
hsliao luo
tam-tam
gong, in
USE singing bowl
gong, suzu
USE singing bowl
gong gede
USE gâmeñlañ gong gede
gong kebyar
USE gâmeñlañ gong kebyar
gongè
USE goge
gôn rang
BT instrumental ensemble
gorâ
USE gorâ
gorâ
USE gorâ
gôra
USE gorâ
gôtañy
USE gorâ
gôtañy
USE gorâ
gôtañy
USE gorâ
gôtañy
USE gorâ
BT musical bow
gorah
USE gorâ
gorra
USE gorâ
gôtoñvedám
A fretless vina from Southern India.
USE block instrument
mahâñataka vina
BT vina
gowra
USE gorâ
gôllà de pastore
USE gôlla
gôlla
A small sawan-like double-reed instrument from Catalonia and Spain.
USE flût de pastore
xaranmita
USE xirimita
BT double reed instrument
gran lira
USE lîrône
grand piano
USE piano
great bass recorder
BT recorder
grinder organ
USE barrel organ
gu zheng
USE zhêng
guan
UF bîli
guan zi
USE guanzi
kuan tsu
BT double reed instrument
guan zhêng
USE guanzi
guanzi
USE guan
guayô
USE guiro
gûdastviri
USE chiboni
gûdulka
UF gadulka
gamikî
USE gôliôd
kêmene
kôpanga
tsjulka
BT bowed string instrument
guembri
USE gunibri
guenbrit
USE gunibri
guimbri
USE gunibri
gûnìbrì
USE gunibri
guò
USE cabaca
guitar
UF acoustic guitar
arched-top guitar
classical guitar
flamenco guitar
Spanish guitar
BT plucked lute
NT acoustic bass guitar
bajo sexto
chitarra battente
electric guitar
harp guitar
lîr-ge guitar
resonator guitar
steel guitar
guitar, harp-lute
USE harp-lute guitar
guitar, Portuguese
USE guitarra portuguesa
guitar ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more guitars.
USE guitar orchestra
BT plucked instrument ensemble
guitar orchestra
USE guitar ensemble
guitar violoncello
USE arpeggione
guitar zither
USE harp zither
guitare en bateau
USE chitarra battente
guitarillo
USE tiple
guitarra portuguesa
USE guitar, Portuguese
Portuguese guitar
BT plucked lute
guitarraón
A fretless bass guitar from Mexico.
USE guitarrón mexicano
BT plucked lute
guitarraón mexicano
USE guitarrón
guitarraón mexicano
USE guitarrón
guitarraón
USE guitarrón
guitarraón
USE guitarrón
USE guitarrón
USE guitarrón
Hardanger fiddle
USE Hardanger fiddle
hardsche nefele
USE Hardanger fiddle
harmonic canon
BT A plucked box zither with 44 or 88 strings invented by Harry Partch.

harmonica
UF mouth harmonica
BT mouth organ
NT melodica
harmonica, chemical
USE pyrophone
harmonica, glass
USE glass harmonica
harmonica ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more harmonicas.
BT instrumental ensemble
harmonium
USE reed organ
harmonium, bichromatic
USE bichromatic harmonium
harp
An unspecified chordophone in which the plane of strings is perpendicular to the soundboard. For the modern Western pedal harp, use pedal harp.
BT plucked string instrument
NT audeharp
claviharpe
Irish harp
kong hou
pedal harp
saüng-gauck
harp bow
USE musical bow
harp ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more harps.
BT plucked instrument ensemble
harp guitar
A guitar with any number of additional unstopped strings that can accommodate individual plucking.
BT guitar
zither
harp-lute
An unspecified instrument in the Sachs-Hornbostel harp-lute category.
UF bridge harp
BT string instrument
NT kamele ngoni
kora
harp-lute guitar
Any one of the family of instruments invented by Edward Light in the late 18th and early 19th centuries that combined aspects of the guitar or lute with an extended harp-styled neck that held extra strings.
UF guitar, harp-lute
BT plucked lute
harp-piano
A harp-shaped instrument fitted with a keyboard.
BT keyboard instrument
plucked string instrument
zither
harp zither
A fretless zither with two sets of strings, one tuned to a scale and the other to complete the chords in the key of the melody strings.
UF chord zither
freßzither
fretless guitar
zither guitar
MacArthur harp
mandolin guitar zither
mandolin harp zither
mandolin zither
zither harp
BT plucked string instrument
zither
harpola
BT plucked string instrument
TOY instrument
zither
harpsichord
UF cembalo
spinet (harpsichord)
BT keyboard instrument
plucked string instrument
zither
NT arcicoembla
clavicytherium
electronic harpsichord
pedal harpsichord
sambuca linea
harpsichord ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more solo harpsichords.
hautbois de Pau
A straight wind-cap shawn from France.
BT double reed instrument
Hawaiian guitar
USE steel guitar
Hawaiian steel guitar
USE steel guitar
head rapping
UF rapping, head
BT body percussion
heckelephone
A double-reed instrument with a wide bore and spherical bell sounding an octave below the oboe.
BT double reed instrument
heike-biwa
USE biwa
hejñu
USE gunibiri
helicon
A valve brass instrument of the tuba family distinguished by its circular shape, allowing the performer to rest the weight of the instrument on his shoulder.
BT tuba
heliphon
A MIDI-controlled xylophone in the shape of a double helix played by striking the keys with solenoids.
BT electronic instrument
mallet instrument
hiang te
USE suo na
hichiriki
A Japanese oboe made of bamboo and with a reverse conical bore.
BT double reed instrument
high E-flat clarinet
USE soprano clarinet
USE soprano clarinet
high E-flat clarinet
USE soprano clarinet
USE soprano clarinet
high E-flat clarinet
USE soprano clarinet
high voice
A high-register voice that is not otherwise specified.
BT singer
NT child soprano voice
soprano voice
tenor voice
Himalayan bowl
USE singing bowl
hōjōk
USE t’aep’yŏngso
hommel
USE noordsche balk
horn
An orchestral valued or valveless French horn. For an unspecified valveless horn see natural horn.
UF French horn
hunting horn
BT brass instrument
horn choir
USE horn ensemble
horn ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more horns.
UF horn choir
BT brass ensemble
houteglaster drum
A struck drum with a body that is smaller in diameter in the middle than at the ends.
BT drum
NT balà
chango
damba
kotsuzumi
talking drum
hsiao luo
UF xiao luo
BT gong
hsien tse
USE sanxian
hu hu
BT hu qin
hu qin
A generic term for a Chinese spike fiddle, usually with two strings, but sometimes three or four.
UF hu qin
BT bowed string instrument
NT da kuan hsien
er hu
gao hu
ge hu
hu hu
jing hu
zhui qin
huangu
USE yangqin
huang zhong
BT ducetius flute
hueco
USE catá
humble
USE noordsche balk
hummel
USE noordsche balk
Hungarian hammered dulcimer
USE cimbalom
hunting horn
USE horn
huqin
USE hu qin
hurdy-gurdy
An instrument in which a crank-turned rosined wheel vibrates the strings, whose pitches are manipulated on a keyboard or buttons.
UF lyra
organistrum
vielle
vielle à roue
BT friction instrument
zither
huqin
USE gusli
husor
USE bálnsaflu
husur, morin
USE morin huur
hybrid piano
USE digital player piano
hydraulic barrel organ
BT barrel organ
water organ
hydraulic organ
USE water organ
hydraulics
USE water organ
hydraulics
USE water organ
hydraulics
USE water organ
hygenum
USE haegém
hyûngûm
USE kŏmûng’go
ichigen-kin
USE ichigenkin
ichigenkin
A single-string Japanese zither.
UF hankin
ichigen-kin
BT plucked string instrument
zither
idiphone
An unspecified or undetermined instrument that produces sound through vibration of the instrument itself.
BT instrument
NT friction idiophone
plucked idiophone
struck idiophone
wind chime
imzad
A single-string rubáb with a high bridge and a curved neck.
UF amzad
anazhad
anazhad
inazad
rabába (imzad)
BT rubáb
Indirectly struck idiophone
An unspecified or undetermined idiophone in which the percussion is produced indirectly, such as by
Indirectly struck idiophone (Continued)  

shaking or scraping the instrument. 

BT struck idiophone 
NT angklung (rattle) 
cabaca 
gyro 
jawbone 
maraca 
notched rattle 
rattle 
reco-reco 
tambourine 
washboard  

ifngoma 
USE ngoma 
ingomba 
USE ngoma  

Instrument 
Any unspecified or undetermined solo instrument. 

UF musical instrument 
NT unspecified instrument  

BT performer  
NT aerophone 
continuo instrument 
electronic instrument 
friction instrument 
idiophone 
keyboard instrument 
mechanical instrument 
melody instrument 
membranophone 
percussion instrument 
plucked instrument 
string instrument 
toy instrument  

Instrumental ensemble 
An ensemble consisting of diverse instruments that cannot be described by a more specific term. 

BT ensemble  
NT accordion band 
balalaika orchestra 
band 
bowed string ensemble 
corda ensemble 
dulcimer ensemble 
electronics 
gamelan 
gonirang 
harmonica ensemble 
jazz combo 
jug band 
keyboard ensemble 
khūrūgāi 
mahōiri 
orchestra 
percussion ensemble 
pipe band 
pijīhāt 
plucked instrument ensemble 
plung orchestra 
string band 
string orchestra 
talempeng 
toy orchestra 
washboard band 
wind ensemble 
zither ensemble  

inżad 
USE inżad  

Irish harp 
Use for a variety of small, gut-string harps used in Celtic or Celtic-derived music. 

UF Celtic harp 
Gaelic harp 
Scottish harp 
Welsh harp  

BT harp  
Irish organ 
USE uilleann pipe 
isibue 
USE isibue  

iwału 
A small Japanese stone flute. 

UF isibue 
stone flute 
stone whistle  

BT duct flute 
ja-kae 
USE čhakhē 
jabisen 
USE sanshin  

jākhyā 
USE čhakhē 
jākhyē 
USE čhakhē 
jal tarang 
USE jaltarang 
jaltarāng  
A set of bowls tuned by filling them with different levels of water, struck with bamboo sticks. 

UF jal tarang 
jaltarangam 
BT percussion idiophone 
jaltarangam 
jaltarāng 
USE jaltarang 
jamisen 
USE sanshin 
ja po  
BT cymbal 
jaw bone 
USE jawbone 
jaw harp 
USE Jew's harp 
jawbone 
A jawbone used as an idiophone that may be struck, rattled, or rubbed. 

UF jaw bone 
musical jaw bone 
quijada 
quijada de burro 
BT indirectly struck idiophone 
jaw's harp 
USE Jew's harp 
jazz band 
USE big band 
jazz combo 
A small ensemble associated with jazz that usually consists of 3 to 6 instruments, including piano, bass, drum set, guitar, saxophone, trumpet, percussion, or other instruments. 

BT instrumental ensemble 
jazz orchestra 
USE big band 
jedina 
USE svirala 
jedinka 
USE svirala 
jedinokha 
USE svirala 
jegog 
USE gamelan jegog 
jembé 
USE djembe 
jenbe 
USE djembe  

Jew's harp 
USE genggong 
jaw harp 
jaw's harp 
homus 
trump 
BT plucked idiophone 
jhānj-hān 
USE jhānjhān 
jhānjhān 
USE jhānjhān 
jhānjhān  
USE jhānjhān 
UF jhānj 
jhānjhān 
jhānjhān 
BT cymbal 

Jīn dīan bān  
A Chinese clapper used in storytelling. 

BT clapper (percussion) 
jīnghu 
A high-pitched hu qin. 

UF jīnghu 
BT hu qin 
jinghu 
USE jinghu 
joged bumbung 
USE gamelan joged bumbung 
jombarde 
USE galoubet 
jori 
USE algōjā 

jorī  
USE algōjā  

jouhikko 
A small Japanese stone flute. 

BT bowed string instrument 
lyre 
jug 
BT wind instrument 
jug band 
An instrumental ensemble consisting of one or more jugs used as bass wind instruments that arose among African Americans in the early 20th century as popular entertainment for medicine shows and picnics. 

BT instrumental ensemble 
jūshichigen  
A 17-string bass koto from Japan. 

BT koto 
kaćiapi (plucked lute) 
A boat-shaped plucked lute from Indonesia. 

UF kaćiapi 
BT plucked lute  

kacıapi (zither) 
A plucked box zither from the Sundanese areas of West Java. 

UF kaćiapi (zither) 
BT plucked string instrument 
zither  

kacaping 
USE kaćiapi (plucked lute) 
kān 
USE kān 
kāng 
USE lu sheng 
kakabarue 
A six- or seven-hole Japanese flute. 

UF yamahōri 
BT ducless flute 
kalimba 
USE mbira 
kamalę ngonī 
USE kamale ngoni 
kāman 
USE kāmančē 
kāmanča 
USE kāmančē  

kāmančē 
A spike fiddle of the Black Sea region, Pontic Greece, and Iran. 

UF Black Sea fiddle 
Black Sea kemençe 
čemençe 
fiddle, Black Sea 
gemendže 
k’aman 
k’amanča 
kamaneche 
kāmanja 
kāmanča 
kārādenz kemençesi 
kemencha 
kemenče 
kemenča 
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kemenča 
kemenča 
kemenča  

kamale ngonī 
A six-stringed harp of the Wassoulou region of Mali. 

UF kamanche ngonī 
BT harp-lyre  
kačirā 
USE kačirā 
kānjeera 
USE kačirā 

kačirā 
A South Indian frame drum. 

UF kačirā 
BT drum  
kanpired 
USE Balkic psaltery
kol (Continued)  
UF kouli  
BT double reed instrument  
kolintang (gong-chime)  
USE kulintang

kömuń’go  
A six-stringed fretted, plucked, zither of Korea.  
UF gomungo  
hyön’gum  
kum  
BT plucked string instrument  
Zither

komuz  
A long-necked, unfretted, three-stringed lute of the Khoikhoi people of Central Asia.  
BT plucked lute

kong hou  
UF konghou  
BT harp-lute  
konghou  
USE kong hou  
koauau  
USE kōauau  
kopanka  
USE gūdulika

kopuz  
UF qopuz  
ququz  
BT plucked lute

kora  
A 21-string harp-lute of the Mende people of West Africa.  
BT harp-lute

koto  
A Japanese zither with 13 strings.  
BT plucked string instrument  
Zither

NT jūshichigen

koto ensemble  
An ensemble consisting of two or more koto.  
BT plucked instrument ensemble

kotazumi  
An hourglass drum used in Japanese theater.  
UF kōtsuzumi  
BT hourglass drum

koul  
USE kol

krar  
A six-string bowl lyre from Ethiopia and Eritrea.  
BT lyre

krummhorn  
USE crumhorn

kuan tsu  
USE guan  
kūlalu  
USE venu

kulintang  
UF gulintangan  
kentangan  
kolintang (gong-chime)  
wintangan  
BT percussion idiophone

kulintang ensemble  
A Filipino ensemble consisting of two sets of kulintang and a drum.  
BT percussion ensemble

kum  
USE kōmuń’go  
kundi  
USE qudi  
kurach’ŏlsa kum  
USE yanggŭm

kurai  
An end-blown flute of the Bashkir and Tatar peoples.  
UF kuray  
qurai  
BT ductless flute

kuray  
USE kurai

kuluteng  
USE mbira  
kwintangan  
USE kulintang

kyamancha  
USE kamānche  
kylte  
USE pochette  
kyyak  
USE qobuz  
la pa  
USE suo na

lambeg drum  
A large double-headed drum associated with the Orange Order in Northern Ireland and traditionally used in parades.  
BT drum  
lamellaphone  
USE mbira  
lamellaphone  
USE mbira

langoleik  
A fretted Norwegian box zither.  
BT psaltery  
lap dulcimer  
USE Appalachian dulcimer  
large orchestra  
USE orchestra

launeddas  
A polyphonic single-reed instrument with three pipes that originated in Southern Sardinia.  
UF amenas  
benas  
bisōnas  
enas  
leunéddas  
lionéddas  
sonus de canna  
trídēda  
truíédda  
truvédda  
BT single reed instrument  
lautendlavicymbel  
USE lute-harpischord  
lautenwerck  
USE lute-harpischord  
lautenwerk  
USE lute-harpischord

lavta  
A Turkish plucked lute with tied frets, popular in the early 20th century.  
UF politiško lauluto  
BT plucked lute

lead singer  
A performer who sings the main solo vocal portions of a popular song, often as part of a band.  
UF lead vocalist  
BT singer  
lead vocalist  
USE lead singer

leaf  
One or more leaves from a tree or other plant that produces sound through vibration (as in a reed instrument).  
BT percussion instrument

legawka  
USE ligawka  
leunéddas  
USE launeddas  
Liedesflöte  
USE flûte d’amour  
ligawa  
USE ligawka  
ligawka  
A wooden aerophone from the Mazowsze region of Poland.  
UF legawka  
ligawa  
BT natural horn  
litkebre  
USE mbira

limbe  
A side-blown flute that originated in China and Mongolia.  
UF gîlin-bu  
gling-bu  
lingbu  
BT ductless flute  
lingbu  
USE limbe  
linguaphone  
USE mbira  
lionéddas  
USE launeddas  
lira  
USE bowed string instrument  
lyre  
lira (lironke)  
USE lironke

lira (short-necked fiddle)  
UF lyra (short-necked fiddle)  
BT bowed lute  
lira da braccio  
UF lira da spalla
lute-clavier
USE lute-harpsichord
lute consort
USE lute ensemble
**lute ensemble**  
An ensemble consisting of two or more European lutes, often of different sizes.
UF lute consort
BT plucked instrument ensemble
**lute-harpsichord**  
A gut-stringed harpsichord with a mellow tone similar to a lute.
UF lutenclavicymbel
lautenwerk
lautenwerk
lute-clavier
theorbo-harpsichord
BT plucked string instrument keyboard instrument zither
**luthéa**  
UF piano luthéa
BT prepared piano
lyra
USE bowed string instrument
hurdy-gurdy
lute
lyre
lyra, bell
USE glockenspiel
lyra (lira da braccio)
USE lira da braccio
lyra (lirona)
USE lirona
lyra (short-necked fiddle)
USE lira (short-necked fiddle)
lyra bastarda
USE baryton
lyra de gamba
USE lirone
lyra perfecta
USE lirona
**lyra viol**  
UF lyra-viol
viola bastarda
BT viol
lyre
An unspecified string instrument whose strings are attached to a yoke that lies in the same plane as the soundboard.
UF lira
lyra
BT plucked string instrument
NT begena
clithara
crith
jouihikko
krar
sansinsinya
surrogate kilhara
talharpa
lyre, bell
USE glockenspiel
**lyre-guitar**  
BT guitar
lyro-vio
USE lyra viol
lyrone
USE lirone
ma tʻou chʻin
USE morin huur
MacArthur harp
USE harp zither
machada
USE cavaquinho
machieta
USE cavaquinho
machete-de-braga
USE cavaquinho
machetinho
USE cavaquinho
**mādāl**  
UF mādala
BT drum
mādała
USE mādāl
madinda
USE amadinda
**magnetic resonator piano**  
An electronically-augmented acoustic grand piano using electromagnets to extend the capabilities of the traditional piano without speakers or amplification.
UF MRP (magnetic resonator piano)
BT piano
mahānatātaka vina
USE gottuvadyam
**māhōf**  
An instrumental ensemble originating in Thailand that combines melodic and rhythmic percussion, string, and wind instruments.
BT instrumental ensemble
**male voice**  
BT singer
NT baritone voice
bass-baritone voice
bass voice
boy soprano voice
changing voice
countertenor voice
tenor voice
**mallet controller**  
An electronic instrument that simulates the sound of a mallet instrument.
UF xylophone controller
BT mallet instrument percussion controller
**mallet ensemble**  
An ensemble consisting of two or more different mallet instruments of any type.
BT percussion ensemble
NT marimba ensemble
**mallet instrument**  
An unspecified mallet instrument of any type.
UF keyboard percussion instrument
mallet percussions
BT percussion idiophone
NT balo
bamboo marimba
diamond marimba
gender
glockenspiel
heliphon
mallet controller
marimba
sticado pastorale
vibraphone
xylophone
xylorimba
zoomoozoophone
mallet percussions
USE mallet instrument mando-cello
USE mandolocello
**mandola**  
UF mandolin
mandora
mandore
mandorre
BT mandolin
**mandolin**  
UF mandoline
BT plucked lute
NT mandola
mandolocello
**mandolin ensemble**  
An ensemble consisting of two or more instruments of the mandolin family.
UF mandolin orchestra
BT plucked instrument ensemble
mandolin guitar zither
USE harp zither
mandolin harp zither
USE harp zither
mandolin orchestra
USE mandolin ensemble
mandolin zither
USE harp zither
mandoline
USE mandolino
mandolina
USE mandolino
**mandoloncello**  
UF mando-cello
mandocello
BT mandolin
mandora
USE calichon
mandola
mandore
USE mandola
mandorflauten
USE calichon
mandore
USE mandola
mandoria
USE banduria
Männerchor
USE men’s chorus
**maraca**  
BT indirectly struck idiophone
**marching band**  
BT band
marimbaphone
USE marimba
marimba
USE mbira
marimba ensemble
BT marimba ensemble
marimba-xylophone
USE xylorimba
marimba
USE marimba marimbulas
USE mbira
marinette
USE trumpet marine
**marovany (box zither)**  
BT plucked string instrument zither
marovany (tube zither)
USE valina
**Martenot**
USE ondes Martenot
Martenot’s ondes Martenot's ondes musicales
USE ondes Martenot
matou qin
USE morin huur
matouqin
USE morin huur
mbila
USE mbira
**mbira**
USE African hand piano
hand piano
hand piano, African
kalimba
kissanj
kututeng
lammelaphone
lammelophone
likembe
linguaphone
marimba (mbira)
marimbulas
mbila
nsansi
sandza
sansa
sansi
thump piano
BT plucked idiophone
mechanical clock-organ
USE musical clock
**mechanical Instrument**  
An unspecified instrument whose sound is produced fully or partially through automated means.
UF automatic instrument
automatic musical instrument
automaticatome
BT instrument
NT clock chimes
mechanical organ
mechanical piano
music box
orchestration
panharmonicon
phonograph turntable
violano-virtuoso
**mechanical organ**  
An unspecified mechanized organ.
UF automatic organ
BT mechanical instrument
organ
NT barrel organ
calliope
fairground organ
musical clock
player organ
water organ
**mechanical piano**  
An unspecified mechanized piano.
BT mechanical instrument
mirliton
BT singing membrane
mirulankam
USE mridanga
miruthangam
USE mridanga
mīndica
UF mjersnice
BT bagpipe
mixed chorus
BT chorus
mixed media
Non-musical elements such as movement, projected images, audience participation, etc., or effects related to electronic music.
UF multimedia
BT ensemble
miersnice
USE mǐšnice
mobile phone
USE cell phone
mock trumpet
USE chalumeau
Mongolian zither
USE yatga
monochord
BT plucked string instrument
zither
NT cymbichord
moon guitar
USE yue qin
moon lute
USE yue qin
morin huur
UF huur, morin
khūl-khuur
ma tou ch'in
matou qin
matouqin
BT bowed lute
mōsō-biwa
USE biwa
mountain dulcimer
USE Appalachian dulcimer
mouskater
BT electronic instrument
mouth bow
BT musical bow
NT chipendani
mouth drum
USE vocal percussion
mouth harmonica
USE harmonica
mouth organ
An unspecified mouth organ.
BT free reed instrument
NT harmonica
khūn
lu sheng
plung
sheng
shō
mrīdang
USE mridanga
mrīdağā
USE mridanga
mrīdağam
USE mridanga
mrīdaṅgā
Any of several types of double-headed drum used to accompany devotional music and known by various names in different regions of India.
UF khol
mrīdang
mrīdağā
mrīdagam
mrīdagam
mirutarkam
miruthangam
pakhlavā
pakhawāj
BT drum
mrīdangam
USE mridanga
MRP (magnetic resonator piano)
USE magnetic resonator piano
mukha veena
USE mukhāvīṇā
mukhavīṇā
UF mukha veena
BT double reed instrument
multi-media
USE mixed media
multimedia
USE mixed media
musette
USE bagpipe
musette (oboe)
UF musette pipe
BT oboe
musette pipe
USE musette (oboe)
musical box
UF musical box
BT mechanical instrument
plucked idiophone
NT mechanical singing-bird box
music conductor
USE conductor
music director
USE conductor
music sampler software
USE software sampler
music synthesizer
USE synthesizer
muskow
A bow that is played as a musical instrument in its own right and not as a device to draw sound from another instrument.
UF harp bow
BT zither
NT berimbau
gora
mouth bow
musical box
USE musical box
musical clock
A clock equipped with a mechanical organ. For sounds produced by a clock equipped with a carillon or other chiming mechanism use clock chimes.
UF clock, musical
clock-organ
flute clock
flute-playing clock
mechanical clock-organ
BT mechanical organ
musical glasses
USE glass harmonica
verrophone
musical instrument
USE instrument
musical jaw bone
USE jawbone
musical saw
UF saw, musical
saw, singing
singing saw
BT friction idiophone
struck idiophone
musical synthesizer
USE synthesizer
musical toy instrument
USE toy instrument
music sticks
USE clapsticks
nadasvaram
USE nāgasvaram
nadasvaram
USE nāgasvaram
nāgasvaram
USE nāgasvaram
nāgasvarām
UF nadasvaram
nadasvaram
nāgasvarām
nāgasvarām
nāgasvaram
nāyaman
BT double reed instrument
nāgasvaram
USE nāgasvaram
nāyama
USE nāy (flute)
panpipes
nākāsvarām
USE nāgasvarām
nālari
USE tāe’pyōngso
nārāyana
USE speaker
paradiseus de viole  
UF descant viol  
high treble viol  
par-dessus de viole  
quintion  
BT viol
paridion  
USE baryton
pariton  
USE baryton
parlor organ  
USE reed organ
pastoral oboe  
USE pipe (musical instrument)
piàva  
USE alójá
piàva  
USE alójá
pedal clarinet  
USE contrabass clarinet
pedal clavichord  
A clavichord with a pedal-board like that of an organ  
BT clavichord
pedal harp  
A modern Western harp. For an unspecified chordophone in which the plane of strings is perpendicular to the soundboard see harp.  
BT harp
pedal harpsichord  
A harpsichord with a pedal-board like that of an organ  
UF pedalcembalo  
BT harpsichord
pedal piano  
A piano with a pedal-board like that of an organ.  
UF pedalpianoforte  
BT piano
pedal pianoforte  
USE pedal piano
pedal steel guitar  
A steel guitar equipped with a pedal that allows for instantaneous change of tuning.  
BT steel guitar
pedalcembalo  
USE pedal harpsichord
pejojedan bumbung  
USE gamelan joged bumbung
pellitone  
BT tuba
penny whistle  
UF feadog stáin  
pennywhistle  
ten whistle  
whistle (penny whistle)  
BT duct flute
pennywhistle  
USE penny whistle
pentacontachordon  
USE sambuca lincea
percussion  
One or more unspecified instruments in the percussion family that are often included as part of a larger ensemble. For a single unspecified percussion instrument see percussion instrument.  
BT instrument
percussion controller  
BT electronic instrument  
percussion instrument  
NT mallet controller
percussion ensemble  
BT instrumental ensemble  
NT drum circle  
handbell choir  
kulintang ensemble  
luo gu  
mallet ensemble  
steel band  
taiko (drum ensemble)
percussion idiophone  
An unspecified percussion idiophone.  
BT struck idiophone  
NT bell  
bilo  
bonang  
bronze drum  
cajón
percussion instrument  
A single unspecified percussion instrument. For one or more unspecified percussion instruments that are often included as part of a larger ensemble see percussion.  
BT instrument  
NT balloon  
drum  
drum set  
flowerpot  
glass  
leaf  
percussion controller  
sound effects  
spoils of war (musical instrument)  
struck idiophone  
struck string instrument  
tin can
performer  
An unspecified participant in a musical work.  
NT actor  
audience  
celebrant  
conductor  
dancer  
instrument  
mime  
mixed media  
signer  
voice
phia  
USE phin phia
phin phia  
UF phia  
phin piá  
pin piah  
BT stick zither
phin piá  
USE phin phia
phonofiddle  
A one-string violin developed by Augustus Stroh and used in early sound recordings.  
BT violin
phonograph turntable  
UF turntable, phonograph  
turntable system (phonograph)  
BT mechanical instrument
pi  
BT double reed instrument
pi pa  
UF Chinese lute  
pipa  
BT plucked lute
pianette  
USE barrel piano
piano  
UF concert grand (piano)  
fortepiano  
grand piano  
pianoforte  
spinet (piano)  
spinett (piano)  
upright piano  
BT keyboard instrument  
struck string instrument  
zither  
NT magnetic resonator piano
pipe (musical instrument)  
An unspecified simple end-blown flute with or without finger holes.  
UF bamboo pipe  
chalumeau (pipe)  
pastoral oboe  
shepherd's pipe  
symphonette  
tabor pipe  
BT duct flute  
NT flaviol  
gaita (pipe)  
galoubet
pipes, lowland
USE border pipes
pipes, Scottish lowland
USE border pipes
plucked idiophone
An unspecified plucked instrument of any material.
For a plucked-string instrument see plucked-string instrument.
plucked instrument ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more plucked instruments.
plucked lute
An unspecified plucked string instrument of the Sachs-Hornbostel classification. For the fretted plucked-string instrument popular in 16th-18th century Europe see lute.
plung orchestra
An ensemble consisting of two or more plunges.
plung organ
A movable organ.
plucked idiophone
BT idiophone
plucked instrument
NT Jew's harp
mbira
music box
plucked instrument
An unspecified plucked instrument of any material.
For a plucked-string instrument see plucked-string instrument.
plucked instrument ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more plucked instruments.
plucked lute
An unspecified plucked string instrument of the Sachs-Hornbostel classification. For the fretted plucked-string instrument popular in 16th-18th century Europe see lute.
kacapi (plucked lute)
kobza
komuz
kopuz
lavta
liu qin
lute
mandolin
orphanion
oud
pi pa
ruan
rubāb
sanskian
sapeh
saz
setār (Iranian instrument)
shamisen
shudraga
sitar
sung
tambūrā (fretted lute)
tambura (fretted lute)
tar (lute)
theorbo
tiple
tres
ukulele
vihuela
viola d'arame
viola-de-cocho
yue qin
plucked string instrument
plucked string instrument ensemble
USE plucked instrument ensemble
plucked string instrument
An unspecified plucked string instrument. For an unspecified plucked instrument of any material see plucked instrument.
plucked string instrument ensemble
USE plucked instrument ensemble
plucked string instrument
plucking
A piano that has been altered by placing objects on and/or between the strings.
plucked lute
BT plucked string instrument
plunger
A plunger that has been altered by attaching wire or objects on and/or between the strings.
plunger organ
A movable organ.
plunger organ
plunger organ
plunger organ
plung
BT mouth organ
plung orchestra
An ensemble consisting of two or more plunges.
BT instrumental ensemble
pazley (Continued)
gusli
langeleik
noordsche balk
pulta
USE cuica
pullankulul
USE veno
pullankuhal
USE veno
pung
BT drum
pyrophone
UF calliope, explosion
calliope, fire
chemical harmonica
calliope, fire organ
fire calliope
fire organ
flame organ
harmonica, chemical
BT organ
qin
UF k’anon
kanonak
kanun
BT plucked string instrument
zither
qawwāl
USE kaval
qin
UF chi’in
guqin
BT plucked string instrument
zither
qobuz
UF kikak
kobuz
kobyz
kyjak
qobyz
BT bowed lute
qoybye
USE qobuz
qopuz
USE kopuz
qudi
UF kundi
BT di zi
quena
UF cuena
kena
kena-kena
quena-quena
BT duxless flute
quena-quena
USE quena
querequexė
USE reco-reco
quüca
USE cuica
quijada
USE jawbone
quijada de burro
USE jawbone
quintino (drum)
BT congai
quinton
USE pardessus de viole
quintingua
USE teponaztli
qupz
USE kopuz
qurai
USE kurai
quasa
USE näy (flute)
rabāb (lute)
USE rubāb
rabbā (speech fiddler)
Any of the various spike fiddles common in North
Africa, the Middle East, and other parts of Asia.
UF rabābā (speech fiddler)
rabbābah (speech fiddle)
rabāb (speech fiddle)
ribāb (speech fiddle)
spike fiddle
BT bowed lute
rabābā (imzad)
USE imzad
rabābā (spike fiddle)
USE rubāb
rabābā (lute)
USE rubāb
rabābā (speech fiddle)
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rebec
USE rebecc
recor-recor
UF canza
caracazà
cacazà
cacaca
catacà
gàngà
querequexë
raspador
reque-reque
BT indirectly struck idiophone
recorded audio
USE pre-recorded audio
recorded sound
USE pre-recorded audio
recoce
BT bowed lute
beak flute
Blockflöte
corntone flute
English flute
flauto dolce
subcontrabass recorder
BT dulciflute
NT alto recorder
bass recorder
contrabass recorder
csakan
great bass recorder
orion
soprano recorder
soprano recorder
tenor recorder
tusseffayde
recording and reproducing piano
USE digital player piano
reed instrument
An unspecified reed instrument.
BT woodwind instrument
NT double reed instrument
single reed instrument
reed organ
UF cabinet organ
harmonium
melodeon (reed organ)
organ, cabinet
organ, parlor
parlor organ
BT free reed instrument
NT bichromatic harmonium
vocalion
Renaissance lute
A European bowed lute.
BT lute
repique
An Afro-Brazilian medium-sized single-headed
drum, sometimes in pairs.
UF repique
BT drum
repique
USE repique
reproducing piano
USE player piano
reque-reque
USE reco-reco
resonator guitar
UF dobro
resophonic guitar
BT guitar
resophonic guitar
USE resonator guitar
rgya glin
USE rgya-gling
rgya-gling
UF rgya glin
BT double reed instrument
rhythm machine
USE drum machine
ribáb (lute)
USE rubáb
ribáb (spike fiddle)
USE rubáb (spike fiddle)
ring gong
USE singing bowl
rinik
USE tingklik
robāb
USE rubāb
robāb
USE rubāb
robābā (imzad)
USE imzad
rubāb
USE rubāb
rōneat ék
USE ranāt ék

roopli
single reed instrument

roulé
USE rouléur

rouléur
UF houleur
oulé
ouler
rouler

BT drum
royal Kent bugle

USE keyed bugle
ruan
USE ruan
ruang
USE ruan
ruaung
USE ruan

Russian horn
BT natural horn

ryūōki
BT ductless flute

sā làw
USE salō

sackbut
A brass instrument operated using a telescopic slide that was generally used in the 15th-18th centuries.

UF sagbut
shagbut
shakbut

BT trombone

saø
USE tæp’yō’ngso

sagbut
USE sackbut

sānhrāí

UF sānī
sānhrāí
shahnhāi
shānai
shēnhai

BT double reed instrument

sāl tār
USE setār (Iranian instrument)

sālimdōkōn
USE psalmōdikōn

sālī
A Thai two-string spike fiddle with a separate bow and coconut shell resonator.

UF sā làw
BT bowed lute

saltāriko
USE dulcimer

sālōung
An Indonesian open end-blown bamboo flute.

BT ductless flute

sambe
USE sāpeh

sambuca linnea
An enharmonic harpsichord.

UF pentacontachordon

BT harpsichord

samisen
USE shamisen

sāmpah
USE sāpeh

sāmpēq
USE sāpeh

sāmpí
USE sāpeh

samplār
An electronic musical instrument that has no sound of its own, and whose sounds are entirely derived from recordings.

UF sound sampler
BT electronic instrument
NT software sampler
 sampler software
USE software sampler

sampling drum machine
USE drum machine

sandī
USE šāhnāī
sānhrāī
USE šāhnāī

sansa
USE mbira

sānshin
A Japanese three-stringed lute.

UF jōbisen
jāmīsen
BT plucked lute

sānsi
USE mbira

sāntīr
USE sāntūr
sāntooor
USE sāntūr

sāntūr
A trapezoidal dulcimer of Asia and the Balkans.

UF sāntūr
sāntooor
sinitr (dulcimer)

BT dulcimer

sāročān
A Chinese long-necked lute.

UF hsēn tse
xian zê

BT plucked lute

sāso
A Vietnamese transverse bamboo flute.

BT ductless flute

sāpeh
USE sāpeh

sāpeh
An Indonesian plucked lute.

UF sambe
sampeh
sampeq
sāmpí
sāpe
sāpi

BT plucked lute

sāpi
USE sāpeh

sāran.grī
USE sāran.grī

sāranjī
A South Asian short-necked fiddle.

UF sāran.grī
BT bowed lute

sārīndā
A South Asian bowed lute.

BT bowed lute

sārođ
A South Asian short fretless plucked lute.

BT plucked lute

sārūsophöne
A brass instrument played with a double reed.

BT double reed instrument

sātāra
USE algū佳
satsuma-biwa
USE biwa

sāông-gaũk
A Burmese arched harp.

UF Burmese harp

sārīndā
USE algay佳
satsuma-biwa
USE biwa

sārmūšōmē
A Burmese arched harp.
BT high voice
tenora

BT double reed instrument
tenoroon

UF fagottino
tenor bassoon

BT bassoon

téorbo

USE théorbo
tepenahuasqui

USE teponaztli
teporagaua

USE teponaztli
teponahuaztli

USE teponaztli
teponaxtli

USE teponaztli
téorbo

ténor

UF quiringua
tepenahuasquiquenepanaguatemponahuaztli
teponaxtli
	menco
tun-kul

BT slit drum
teremino

USE theremin
t'goerri

USE gora
t'gorra

USE gora
tharka

USE tarka	thavil

USE tavil

theater organ

An organ developed to provide background music for silent films.

UF cinema organ
téatro organ

BT organ
téatro organ

USE theater organ

théorbó

USE théorbo

théorbo

A large extended-neck lute with two peg boxes that was used principally in the Baroque period, on which the upper courses have a reentrant tuning and the diapasons are tuned diatonically.

UF chitarraone
téorbo

téorbo

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BT plucked lute

théorbo-harpischord

USE lute-harpischord

theremin

UF aetherphon
teremino

USE theremin

thereminvox

BT electronic instrument

thereminvox

USE theremin

thoroughbass

USE continuo

through bass

USE continuo

thumb piano

USE mbira

t'lsee

USE di zì

Tibetan singing bowl

USE singing bowl
tbía

UF shank bone

shin bone

shinbone

BT woodwind instrument
timbales criollos

BT drum

timpani

USE kettledrum

kettledrums
timpanum

timpani

UF tingleklik

BT xylophone

tíorna

USE steel band

tiorba

USE théorbo
típle

UF guitarillo
típle

BT plucked lute

tuba

USE tupan
tom-tom

UF Chinese tom-tom

BT drum

tobák

USE zarb

tommy talker

USE kazoo
tonetloa

UF song flute

BT recorder
tonpan

USE tupan
torogató

USE taregato
tower clock bell

USE clock chimes
toy instrument

An instrument made for children that is often a simplified or scaled-down version of a conventional instrument.

UF musical toy instrument

toy musical instrument

BT instrument

NT baby rattle

harpola

melody flute

saxoflute

toy piano

toy musical instrument

USE toy instrument

toy orchestra

UF toy symphony

BT instrumental ensemble
toymano

UF piano, toy

BT keyboard instrument

percussion idiophone

toy instrument
toy symphony

USE toy orchestra

t'pan

USE tupan

tupan

USE flute

trap kit

USE drum set

trap set

USE drum set

traps

USE drum set

trebolumo

BT electronic instrument

trebéviol

BT viol

trebé violin

USE pochette

treble voice

USE boy soprano voice

tres

BT plucked lute

trehlá

USE percussion idiophone

tréldá

USE launeddas

tromba marine

USE trumpet marine
trombone

UF slide trombone
tenor trombone

valve trombone

BT brass instrument

NT alto trombone

btass trombone
tromba marine

contrabass trombone

sackbut
trombone choir

USE trombone ensemble
trombone ensemble

An ensemble consisting of two or more trombones.

UF trombone choir

BT brass ensemble

trúedda

USE launeddas

trump

USE Jew's harp
trompét

UF bass trumpet

natural trumpet

piccolo trumpet

slide trumpet

valve trumpet

BT brass instrument

NT keyed trumpet

trompet, mock

USE chalumeau

trompet, singing

USE vānp-horn

trompet choir

USE trumpet ensemble
trompet ensemble

An ensemble consisting of two or more trumpets.

UF trumpet choir

BT brass ensemble

trompet marine

UF fiddle, nun's

marine trumpet

nun's fiddle

tromba marina

BT bowed lute

trúedda

USE launeddas

tsàung

USE saúng-gauk
tahpendaní

USE chipendaní
tigulka

USE gōdulka

tymbalí

USE cimbalô

tuba

UF bass horn

bass tuba

BB♭ tuba

BT 'tuba

bombarbón

C' tuba

CC tuba

tromba marina

double B-flat tuba
double C tuba

BT brass instrument

NT helicon

pellitone

sousaphone
tuba ensemble

An ensemble consisting of two or more tubas.

BT brass ensemble

tuba stentor-phonica

USE vānp-horn
tubaphone

UF tubaphone

BT percussion idiophone
tuba zither

BT zither

NT čháktê

valîhá

tubular bells

UF chimes, orchestral

orchestral chimes

BT bell
tubaphone

USE tubaphone
tulum

USE chiboni
tulumi

USE chiboni

tromba marina
voice
An unspecified vocalized part. For a performer who uses his or her voice to produce musical tone see singer.

BT performer
NT singer
speaker
vocal percussion

valve
USE valilha

Vosges, epinette des
USE epinette des Vosges

wāna
USE su na

Wagner horn
USE Wagner tuba

Wagner tube
UF Bayreuth tuba
Wagner horn
BT brass instrument

washboard
BT indirectly struck idiophone

washboard band
UF band, washboard
BT instrumental ensemble

washinet
UF wāshint
BT ductless flute

wash tub bass
UF gutbucket
BT plucked string instrument

wāntang
USE washint

water organ
UF hydraulic organ
hydrualis
hydrualos
BT mechanical organ
NT hydraulic barrel organ

waterphone
BT friction idiophone

Welsh harp
USE Irish harp

whistle
BT duct flute
whistle (penny whistle)
USE penny whistle

whistling
BT aerophone
body percussion

wind band
USE band

wind-bell
USE wind chime

wind chime
UF wind-bell
windchime
BT aerophone
idiophone

wind controller
UF electronic trumpet
electronic valve instrument
electronic wind instrument
eVI (electronic valve instrument)
evVI wind controller
evVI (electronic wind instrument)
BT aerophone
MIDI controller

wind ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more mixed wind instruments. For a brass or woodwind ensemble, see brass ensemble or woodwind ensemble. For wind band, see band.

BT instrumental ensemble
NT brass ensemble
woodwind ensemble
wind ensemble (band)
USE band

wind instrument
An unspecified woodwind or brass instrument.

BT aerophone
NT brass instrument
jag
megaphone
woodwind instrument

wind machine
UF aerophone
BT friction idiophone

wind orchestra
USE band

wind symphony
USE band

windchime
USE wind chime

woman's voice
USE female voice

women's chorus
BT chorus

wood block
UF bang zi
Chinese wood block
clog box
tap box
woodblock

BT slit drum
wood-wind instrument
USE woodwind instrument
woodblock
USE wood block

woodwind ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more different woodwind instruments.

BT wind ensemble
NT clarinet choir
flute choir
oboé ensemble
panpipes ensemble
saxophone ensemble

woodwind instrument
An unspecified woodwind instrument.

UF wood-wind instrument

BT wind instrument
NT edge-blown instrument
reed instrument

tibia

wu li wa
USE su na

xaranita
USE gralla

xian ze
USE sanxian

xianzi
USE sanxian

xiao
BT ductless flute
xiao luo
USE hsiao luo

xiriminia
USE chirimia

xirinta
USE gralla

xun
BT ductless flute
xylo-marimba
USE xylorimba

xylophone
UF bell, song
fiddle, straw
song bell
straw fiddle

BT mallet instrument

NT amadinda
angklung (xylophone)
gambang
gyi
kaw law
mendzàn

tingklk
xylophone controller
USE mallet controller

xylorimba
UF marimba-xylophone
xylo-marimba

BT mallet instrument

yama
tob bu
USE kugarubue

yanchin
USE yoochin (dulcimer)

yancin
USE yoochin (dulcimer)

yang qin
UF yangqin

BT dulcimer

yangqin
USE yang qin

yangau
UF huagu

temple drum
BT drum

yataga
USE yataga

yatag
UF Mongolian zither
yataga
yatug
yatug-a
yatuga

BT plucked string instrument
zither

yatug
USE yataga
yatug-a
USE yataga
yatuga

USE yataga

yoochin (dulcimer)
UF eochín
yanchin
yanchir

BT dulcimer

yue hu
USE gao hu

yue qin
UF moon guitar
moon lute
yueqin

BT plucked lute

yue qin
USE yue qin

yu ka
BT drum

yukelele
USE ukulele

zampoña
USE siku

zarah
USE kazoo

zhar
UF dombáck
dombak
tənbak

BT goblet drum

zheng
UF Chinese zither
gu zheng
guzheng

BT plucked string instrument
zither

zhong hu
UF zhonghu

BT er hu

zhonghu
USE zhong hu
zhongnuan
USE ruan

zhul qin
BT hú qín

zila
USE finger cymbals

zila
USE finger cymbals

zink
USE cornett

zither
UF other

BT simple chordophone

NT aeolian harp
ajaeng
Appalachian dulcimer
autoharp
bubutarang
citaharp
clavichord
clovorgan
dàn bán
dàn tranh
diddle bow
dolceola
dulcimer
harmonic canon
harp guitar
harp-plano
harp zither
harpola
harpischord
hurdy-gurdy
ichigenkin
zither (Continued)
  kacapi (zither)
  kayagūm
  kōmun’go
  koto
  lute-harpsichord
  marovany (box zither)
  meloharp
  meta-harp
  monochord
  musical bow
  new century harp
  ongnyugūm
  piano
  psalmodikon
  psaltery
  qānūn
  qin
  sitar
  stick zither
  tambi
  tangent piano
  tube zither
  vina
  virginal
  yatga
  zherg
  zitho-harp

zither ensemble
  An ensemble consisting of two or more zithers.
  BT instrumental ensemble
  USE zither ensemble

zitho-harp
  BT plucked string instrument
  USE zither

zoomoozophone
  BT mallet instrument
  USE zūrnā

žvegljica
  USE svirala