

- A clarinet (soprano)
USE clarinet
- a-jaeng
USE ajaeng
- accordion
USE accordion
- accordion**
UF accordion
garmon
piano accordion
BT free reed instrument
NT button-key accordion
lötöspill
- accordion band**
An ensemble consisting of two or more accordions, with or without percussion and other instruments.
UF accordion orchestra
BT instrumental ensemble
- accordion orchestra
USE accordion band
- acoustic bass guitar**
UF bass guitar, acoustic
folk bass guitar
BT guitar
- acoustic guitar
USE guitar
- acoustic guitar, electric
USE electric guitar
- actor**
An actor in a non-singing role who is explicitly required for the performance of a musical composition that is not in a traditionally dramatic form.
BT performer
- adufo
USE tambourine
- aenas
USE launeddas
- aeolian harp**
UF eolian harp
BT zither
- aeoliphone
USE wind machine
- aerophone**
A musical instrument that creates sound through the vibration of air without the use of strings or membranes.
BT instrument
NT armpit squeezing
balloon
free aerophone
free reed instrument
organ
whistling
wind chime
wind controller
wind instrument
- aerostat
USE balloon
- aetherphon
USE theremin
- Afghan lute
USE rubāb
- African hand piano
USE mbira
- agbe
USE cabaca
- aggüé
USE cabaca
- agogo**
A conical bell or bells mounted on a sprung steel hoop.
UF agogo bells
gan gan
BT bell
- agogo bells
USE agogo
- ajaeng**
UF a-jaeng
BT bowed string instrument
zither
- ala
USE psaltery
- albogón
USE alboka
- albogue
USE alboka
- alboka**
A Basque hornpipe with two pipes played simultaneously.
UF albogón
- albogue
BT double reed instrument
- alghōzā
USE algōjā
- alghozah
USE algōjā
- algōjā**
A pair of end-blown flutes played simultaneously, widespread in the Indian subcontinent.
UF alghōzā
alghozah
algōzā
binōn
do nally
jorhi
joṛi
ngoze
pāvā
pāvā
satāra
BT duct flute
- algōzā
USE algōjā
- Almglocke
USE cowbell
- alpenhorn
USE alphorn
- alphorn**
UF alpenhorn
alpine horn
BT natural horn
- alpine horn
USE alphorn
- alto (singer)
USE alto voice
- alto clarinet**
An alto member of the clarinet family that is associated with Western art music and is normally pitched in E \flat .
UF E \flat clarinet (alto)
E-flat clarinet (alto)
BT clarinet
- alto flute**
A flute in G, a fourth below the concert flute.
UF bass flute (alto flute)
BT flute
- alto horn**
A valved brass instrument of alto pitch that is similar to a small euphonium in shape.
UF cavalry horn
E \flat horn
E-flat horn
mellophone
tenor horn
BT saxhorn
- alto recorder**
BT recorder
- alto saxophone**
BT saxophone
- alto trombone**
BT trombone
- alto voice**
UF alto (singer)
contralto voice
BT female voice
low voice
- amadinda**
A log xylophone of the Ganda people of Uganda.
UF madinda
BT xylophone
- American dulcimer
USE Appalachian dulcimer
- American Indian flute
USE Native American flute
- amore, flûte d'
USE flûte d'amour
- amzad
USE imzad
- anata
USE tarka
- angklung (rattle)**
A tuned bamboo sliding rattle of Indonesia and Southeast Asia, or a set of such rattles.
BT indirectly struck idiophone
- angklung (xylophone)**
An East Javanese xylophone consisting of bamboo tubes in a frame.
UF kechruk
BT xylophone
- antara
USE panpipes
- anzad
USE imzad
- anzhad
USE imzad
- Appalachian dulcimer**
UF American dulcimer
Appalachian mountain dulcimer
dulcimer, American
dulcimer, Appalachian
dulcimer, Kentucky
dulcimer, lap
dulcimer, mountain
dulcimer, plucked
Kentucky dulcimer
mountain dulcimer
lap dulcimer
plucked dulcimer
BT plucked string instrument
zither
- Appalachian mountain dulcimer
USE Appalachian dulcimer
- aramé, viola da
USE viola d'arame
- arará**
A drum constructed by the Arará people of Cuba.
BT drum
- arched-top guitar
USE guitar
- archicembalo
USE arcicembalo
- archiluth
USE archlute
- archiphone**
A microtonal electronic organ first built in 1970 in the Netherlands.
BT electronic organ
- archlute**
An extended-neck lute with two peg boxes that was principally used in the Baroque period, on which the upper courses are tuned like a Renaissance lute and the diapasens are tuned diatonically.
UF archiluth
arcileuto
arciliuto
erzlaute
liuto attiorbato
BT lute
- arcicembalo**
A harpsichord equipped with many divided keys, or a second manual, to allow more precise tuning of diatonic, chromatic, and enharmonic notes.
UF archicembalo
BT harpsichord
- arcileuto
USE archlute
- arciliuto
USE archlute
- arciviolaslyras
USE lirone
- arciviolata
USE lirone
- arciviotalira
USE lirone
- armonica
USE glass harmonica
- armpit squeezing**
A performer who traps air in his or her armpit and creates sound through a squeezing motion.
BT aerophone
body percussion
- arpeggione**
A fretted bowed string instrument of the 19th century, tuned like a guitar.
UF bowed guitar
guitar violoncello
BT bowed lute
- atabaque**
A large, narrow, single-headed conical drum from Brazil.
UF tambor
BT drum
- atcherà
USE cabaca
- atenteben**
An end-blown bamboo flute from Ghana.
BT duct flute
- audeharp**
A wooden harp with sixty parallel strings in two planes that intersect near the middle.
BT harp
- audience**
One or more participants in the performance of a

audience *(Continued)*

musical work, other than the performer(s) on stage or otherwise presenting the work.

BT ensemble performer

aulos

An ancient Greek reed instrument typically played in pairs by one player.

BT double reed instrument

autoharp

BT plucked string instrument zither

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

bağlama

A Turkish long-necked lute.

BT saz

bagpipe

UF biniau cornemuse (bagpipe) musette (bagpipe)

BT double reed instrument

NT border pipes

chiboni

dudy

gaita (bagpipe)

mišnice

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 balo

bālabān (double reed instrument)

A traditional cylindrical oboe of the Caucasus.

UF balaman (double reed instrument)

BT double reed instrument

bālabān (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

balabayka

USE balalaika

balafo

USE balo

balafon

USE balo

balafou

USE balo

balalaika

A Russian folk stringed instrument with a long neck and triangular body.

UF balabayka

balalayka

BT plucked lute

balalaika ensemble

An ensemble consisting of two or more balalaikas.

BT plucked instrument ensemble

balalaika 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 bālabān (double reed instrument)

balaman (single-reed instrument)

USE bālabān (single reed instrument)

balaphon

USE balo

baliha

USE valiha

balloon

UF aerostat

BT aerophone

percussion instrument

balo

A West African gourd-resonated frame xylophone.

UF bala

balafo

balafon

balafou

balaphon

BT mallet instrument

Baltic psaltery

UF kanklės

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

bamsaṛī

USE bānsuṛī

bāmsuṛī

USE bānsuṛī

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

bandir

USE bendir

bandola

USE bandurria

bandolin

A 15-stringed instrument from Ecuador that derives

from the bandurria and/or bandola.

BT plucked lute

bandoneon

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

pandore

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

bangdi

UF duandi

gaodi

BT di zi

bangu

USE dan pi ku

bangzi

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

banjouke

banjulele

ukulele banjo

BT plucked lute

banjolele

USE banjo ukulele

banjouke

USE banjo ukulele

banjulele

USE banjo ukulele

banká

USE ekón

bānsrī

USE bānsuṛī

bānsuṛī

One of various types of South Asian flutes.

UF bamsaṛī

bāmsuṛī

bānsrī

bāsṛī

halur

husor

solor

BT ductless flute

bariton

USE baryton

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 oboe

USE bass oboe

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
 pianette
 piano organ
 street piano
 BT mechanical piano
 barydon
 USE baryton
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 bariton
 barydon
 lyra bastarda
 paradon
 paridon
 pariton
 viola di bordone
 viola paredon
 BT bowed lute
 basque, tambour de
 USE tambourine
 bāsī
 USE bānsuī
 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
bass-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 \flat , an octave below the soprano clarinet.
 BT clarinet
bass 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)
 electric bass guitar
 BT electric guitar
 bass guitar, acoustic
 USE acoustic bass guitar
 bass horn
 USE tuba
bass marimba
 BT marimba
bass oboe
 An oboe pitched an octave below the standard orchestral oboe that is shaped like a large English horn.
 UF baritone oboe
 BT oboe
 bass pan
 USE steel drum
bass recorder
 BT recorder
bass saxophone
 BT saxophone
bass trombone
 BT trombone
bass trumpet
 BT trumpet
 bass tuba
 USE tuba
 bass viol
 USE double bass
 viola da gamba
 bass violin
 USE cello
bass voice
 UF bass (singer)
 BT low voice
 male voice

basse de Flandre
 USE bumbass
basset clarinet
 A clarinet similar to the soprano clarinet but with an extended lower range.
 BT clarinet
basset horn
 BT clarinet
 basset recorder
 USE recorder
 basso continuo
 USE continuo
basso profundo
 UF basso profundo
 contrabass voice
 octavist
 oktavist
 BT low voice
 male voice
 basso profundo
 USE basso profundo
bassoon
 BT double reed instrument
 NT contrabassoon
 tenoroon
 bāsuī
 USE bānsuī
batá
 A double-headed hourglass drum of the Afro-Cuban Lucumí cult.
 BT hourglass drum
bayán
 A Russian chromatic button-key accordion developed in the 20th century.
 UF bayan
 BT button-key accordion
 Bayreuth tuba
 USE Wagner tuba
 bazoo
 USE kazoo
 bazooka
 USE kazoo
 BB \flat tuba
 USE tuba
 beak flute
 USE recorder
 beganna
 USE begena
begena
 An Ethiopian lyre with a box resonator.
 UF baganā
 beganna
 BT lyre
bell
 BT percussion idiophone
 NT agogo
 bian zhong
 carillon
 chimes
 cowbell
 ekón
 handbell
 singing bowl
 sistro
 tap bell
 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
bendir
 Circular single-headed frame drum of North Africa with gut snares running across the underside of the head.
 UF bandir
 BT frame drum
 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 Möllendorff in the early 20th century.
 UF harmonium, bichromatic
 BT reed organ
big band
 A band generally of 10-15 solo instruments, predominantly 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
 bili
 USE guan
 bilma
 USE clapsticks
biló
 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
 biniou
 USE bagpipe
 bīnōn
 USE algōjā
birbynė
 A single-reed folk instrument of Lithuania.
 BT single reed instrument
 bisōnas
 USE launeddas
biwa
 A pear-shaped Japanese lute.
 UF chikuzen-biwa
 gagaku-biwa
 gaku-biwa
 gogen-biwa
 heike-biwa
 kōjin-biwa
 mōsō-biwa
 nishiki-biwa
 satsuma-biwa
 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 gottuvadyam
 Blockflöte
 USE recorder
blul
 A Kurdish and Armenian open wooden end-blown flute.
 UF blur
 BT ductless flute
 blur
 USE blul
 boat lute
 USE kudyapi
bodhrán
 BT frame drum

body percussion

A performer who creates percussive sounds using body movements and body parts exclusively.

- BT concussion 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

bolingozo

- 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 the fingers.

- BT clapper (percussion)

bong lang

- USE kaw law

bongo drum

- USE bongos

bongos

A pair of small Afro-Cuban single headed drums with hardwood shells.

- UF bongo drum
- BT drum

bonkó

One of four drums in the ensemble associated with the Afro-Cuban Abakwá cult.

- UF bonkó-enchemiyá
- enchemí

- BT drum

bonkó-enchemiyá

- USE bonkó

boo (bamboo marimba)

- USE bamboo marimba

boomerang clapsticks

- USE clapsticks

border bagpipes

- USE border pipes

border pipes

A bellows-blown bagpipe of the Scottish lowlands.

- UF border bagpipes
- borderpipes
- lowland bagpipes
- lowland pipes
- cauld wind bagpipes
- cauld wind pipes
- pipes, cauld wind
- pipes, lowland
- pipes, Scottish lowland
- Scottish lowland bagpipes
- Scottish lowland pipes

- BT bagpipe

borderpipes

- USE border pipes

bouladjël

- USE vocal percussion

bouzoukee

- USE bouzouki

bouzouki

A plucked long-necked lute of the Mediterranean Region.

- UF bouzoukee
- buzuki
- buzuq

- BT plucked lute

bowed guitar

- USE arpeggione

bowed instrument

- USE bowed string instrument

bowed lute

An unspecified bowed string instrument of the Sachs-Hornbostel lute classification.

- BT bowed string instrument
- NT arpeggione

baryton**campanula****cello****cellone****dilrubā****double bass****fiddle****ghichak****goge****gusle****haegûm****Hardanger fiddle****kamānche****keyed fiddle****lira (short-necked fiddle)****lira da braccio****lirica****lirone****morin huur****qobuz****rabāb (spike fiddle)****rabeca****rebec****salō****sārañgī****sāringdā****sō dūang****sō sām sâi****sō ū****tenor violin****trumpet marine****viol****viola****violetta d'amore****violin****violo****violotta****bowed string ensemble**

A mixed or unspecified ensemble of bowed string instruments.

- UF string ensemble
- string instrument ensemble
- stringed instrument ensemble
- strings

- BT instrumental ensemble

- NT cello ensemble

- viola ensemble

- violin ensemble

bowed string instrument

An unspecified string instrument played with a bow.

- UF bowed instrument
- bowed stringed instrument
- bowed strings
- fretted instrument
- lira
- lyra

- BT friction instrument

- string instrument

- NT ajaeng

- bowed lute

- bumbass

- crwth

- gūdulka

- hu qin

- jouhikko

- psalmodikon

- talharpa

- viola da braccio

bowed stringed instrument

- USE bowed string instrument

bowed strings

- USE bowed string instrument

bowl, Himalayan

- USE singing bowl

bowl, singing

- USE singing bowl

boy soprano (singer)

- USE boy soprano voice

boy soprano voice

- UF boy soprano (singer)
- soprano, boy (singer)
- treble voice

- BT child soprano voice

- male voice

braccio, viola da

- USE viola da braccio

braga

- USE cavaquinho

braguinha

- USE cavaquinho

brass band

A large ensemble consisting of brass instruments and sometimes percussion.

- BT band

brass choir

- USE brass ensemble

brass ensemble

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

- UF brass choir
- brass instrument ensemble
- brass instruments

- BT wind ensemble

- NT cornet ensemble

- horn ensemble

- trombone ensemble

- trumpet ensemble

- tuba ensemble

brass instrument

An unspecified brass instrument.

- BT wind instrument

- NT cornet

- cornett

- euphonium

- flugelhorn

- horn

- natural horn

- ophicleide

- saxhorn

- serpent

- trombone

- trumpet

- tuba

- Wagner tuba

brass instrument ensemble

- USE brass ensemble

brass instruments

- USE brass ensemble

Brazilian lute

- USE viola-de-cocho

bridge harp

- USE harp-lute

bronze drum

A drum with a bronze tympanum instead of a skin head.

- UF bronze kettledrum
- drum, bronze

- BT percussion idiophone

bronze kettledrum

- USE bronze drum

bûche

- USE epinette des Vosges

bugle

- BT natural horn

- NT keyed bugle

bulbul tarang

- USE bulbultarang

bulbultarang

An Indian zither with a button keyboard.

- UF bulbul tarang

- BT zither

bull-roarer

An instrument consisting of a flat, narrow, elongated object attached to a string that is whirled overhead.

- UF bullroarer

- BT free aerophone

bullroarer

- USE bull-roarer

bumba

- USE bumbass

bumbass

A European folk instrument consisting of a single gut string fastened to a curved stick with an animal-bladder resonator.

- UF basse de Flandre
- bladder and string
- bladder fiddle
- bumba
- fiddle, bladder
- Flandre, basse de
- poispil

- BT bowed string instrument

- stick zither

Burmese harp

- USE saung-gauk

button accordion

- USE button-key accordion

button box (accordion)

- USE button-key accordion

button-key accordion

- UF button accordion
- button box (accordion)
- squeezebox
- BT accordion
- NT bandoneon
- byan
- concertina
- melodeon (button-key accordion)

buzuki

- USE bouzouki
- buzuq
- USE bouzouki

C clarinet (soprano)

- USE clarinet

C' tuba

- USE tuba

cabaca

- UF agbe
- aggüé
- atcheré
- chekeré
- guiro (rattle)
- sekere
- shekeré
- BT indirectly struck idiophone

cabinet organ

- USE chamber organ
- reed organ

caixa

- USE snare drum
- caixa-surda
- USE surdo

cajón

A Latin American wooden box drum played with the hands.

- BT percussion idiophone

calabazo

- USE guiro
- calachon
- USE calichon

calascione

- USE calichon

calchedon

- USE calichon

calichon

A bass lute with six to eight courses used primarily for continuo in 18th and 19th century Germany, Austria, and Bohemia.

- UF calachon
- calascione
- calchedon
- callichone
- colachon
- galizona
- gallichone
- gallichon
- gallizona
- mandora
- mandorlauten
- colascione (bass lute)
- BT plucked lute

call bell

- USE tap bell

callichone

- USE calichon

calliope

An outdoor mechanical musical instrument consisting of tuned steam whistles.

- BT mechanical organ

calliope, explosion

- USE pyrophone

calliope, fire

- USE pyrophone

cambiata 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

caracaxá

- USE reco-reco

carillon

- 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 percussion idiophone

catacá

- USE reco-reco

cauld wind bagpipes

- USE border pipes

cauld wind pipes

- USE border pipes

caval

- USE kaval

cavalry horn

- USE alto horn

cavaquinho

A small four-stringed plucked instrument of Portugal and Brazil.

- UF braga
- braguinha
- machada
- machete
- machete-de-braga
- machetinho
- BT plucked lute

CC tuba

- USE tuba

celebrant

A performer who celebrates a rite or special occasion and is explicitly required in the performance of a musical work.

- BT performer

celesta

- 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
- violoncello
- BT bowed lute
- NT electric cello
- violoncello 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 clavichord on which the strings are struck by tangents at their precise mid-point.

- BT clavichord

cembalo

- USE harpsichord

cembalo verticale

- USE clavicytherium

çemençe

- USE kamānche

ceṅḍa

A cylindrical drum used widely in the Kerala and Karnataka states of India.

- UF ceṅḍe
- ceṅṭā
- chande
- chenda
- cheṅḍamēlam
- BT drum

ceṅḍe

- USE ceṅḍa

ceṅṭā

- USE ceṅḍa

cervelas

- USE racket

cervelat

- USE racket

cetra

- USE English guitar

čhakhē

A plucked zither of Thailand with three strings, two made of silk and the third of brass.

UF ja-kae

- jākhāy
- jakhē
- BT plucked string instrument
- tube zither

chalmeye

- USE shawm

chalmie

- USE shawm

chalumeau

A single-reed instrument related to the clarinet.

- UF mock trumpet
- trumpet, mock
- BT single reed instrument
- chalumeau (pipe)
- USE pipe (musical instrument)
- chalumeau (shawm)
- USE shawm

chamadron

An organ consisting of reed pipes projected horizontally through louvers in a church tower that was invented in the 20th century.

- BT organ

chamber orchestra

- BT orchestra

chamber organ

- UF cabinet organ
- BT organ

chande

- USE ceṅḍa
- chang go
- USE changgo

changgo

A double-headed hourglass drum from Korea.

- UF chang go
- changgu
- seyo go
- sōlchanggo
- BT hourglass drum

changgu

- 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

chekeré

- USE cabaca
- chemical harmonica
- USE pyrophone

chenda

- USE ceṅḍa

cheṅḍamēlam

- USE ceṅḍa

chi na

- USE suo na

chilboni

A droneless bagpipe from the Caucasus region.

- UF chimoni
- čiboni
- gudastviri
- stviri
- tulum
- tulumi
- 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

- chimes** (*Continued*)
 NT clock chimes
 handchimes
- chimes, orchestral
 USE tubular bells
- chimes (glockenspiel)
 USE glockenspiel
- chiming clock
 USE clock chimes
- chimoni
 USE chiboni
- ch'in
 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
- chipendani**
 A mouth-resonated musical bow of the Shona people of Zimbabwe.
 UF tshipendani
 BT mouth bow
 plucked string instrument
- chirimia**
 A double-reed folk instrument played in Spain and Latin America.
 UF chirisuya
 xirimia
 BT double reed instrument
- chirisuya
 USE chirimia
- chitarra battente**
 A five-course metal-strung guitar of 17th and 18th century Italy.
 UF guitare en bateau
 BT guitar
- chitarraone
 USE theorbo
- chord zither
 USE harp zither
- chordophone
 USE string instrument
- chorus**
 An unspecified chorus of voices.
 BT vocal ensemble
 NT children's chorus
 chorus changing voices
 equal voices
 girls' chorus
 men's chorus
 mixed chorus
 spoken chorus
 unison chorus
 women's chorus
- chorus changing voices**
 BT chorus
- chromette
 USE orkon
- chung juan
 USE ruan
- çiboni
 USE chiboni
- çifte**
 A Turkish double clarinet consisting of a melody pipe and drone pipe.
 UF sipsi
 BT single reed instrument
- cigar box guitar**
 A guitar-like instrument that has an empty cigar box as a resonator.
 BT plucked lute
- cimbalom**
 A Hungarian hammered dulcimer used in both folk and concert music.
 UF cymbal (cimbalom)
 cymbalom
 cymbalum
 hammered dulcimer, Hungarian
 Hungarian hammered dulcimer
 kimbalom
 tsymbaly
 BT dulcimer
- cinema organ
 USE theater organ
- citaharp**
 A zither produced by the Audet Music Co. of Boston in the early 20th century.
 BT zither
 plucked string instrument
- citara
 USE sitar
- cithara**
 A large lyre from ancient Greece.
 UF kithara
 BT lyre
- citharen
 USE cittern
- cither
 USE zither
- cithren
 USE cittern
- cittern**
 A wire-strung plucked instrument popular in 16th and 17th century Europe.
 UF citharen
 cithren
 citharn
 BT plucked lute
- cittharn
 USE cittern
- clap-sticks
 USE clapsticks
- clapper (percussion)**
 A general term for a percussion instrument that consists of two objects that clap together.
 BT concussion idiophone
 NT bones
 jin qian ban
- clapping, foot
 USE foot tapping
- clapping, hand
 USE hand clapping
- clapping sticks
 USE clapsticks
- clapsticks**
 An Aboriginal Australian percussion instrument consisting of a pair of hardwood sticks that are struck together.
 UF bilma
 boomerang clapsticks
 clap-sticks
 clapping sticks
 musicsticks
 BT concussion idiophone
 percussion idiophone
- clarinet**
 A soprano member of the clarinet family that is associated with Western art music, or any unspecified or undetermined member of the clarinet family.
 UF A clarinet (soprano)
 B \flat clarinet (soprano)
 B-flat clarinet (soprano)
 C clarinet (soprano)
 clarinet
 primer clarinet
 soprano clarinet
 BT single reed instrument
 NT alto clarinet
 bass clarinet
 basset clarinet
 basset horn
 clarinette d'amour
 contra-alto clarinet
 contrabass clarinet
 soprano clarinet
- clarinet choir**
 An ensemble consisting of two or more clarinets.
 UF clarinet ensemble
 BT woodwind ensemble
- clarinet d'amour
 USE clarinette d'amour
- clarinet ensemble
 USE clarinet choir
- clarinette d'amour**
 UF clarinet d'amour
 clarinetto d'amore
 BT clarinet
- clarinetto d'amore
 USE clarinette d'amour
- clarionet
 USE clarinet
- classical guitar
 USE guitar
- clavecin vertical
 USE clavicytherium
- claves**
 A Latin American percussion instrument consisting of a pair of short, thick, hardwood sticks that are struck together.
 BT concussion idiophone
- clavi-harp
 USE claviharpe
- clavichord**
 A European keyboard instrument on which the strings are struck by tangents.
 BT keyboard instrument
 struck string instrument
 zither
 NT cembal d'amour
 pedal clavichord
- clavicylinder**
 A keyboard instrument invented in 1799 that sounds when curved metal rods attached to the keys contact a rotating wet glass cylinder.
 UF euphonium (clavicylinder)
 Klavizylinder
 BT friction idiophone
 keyboard instrument
- clavicytherium**
 An upright harpsichord with vertical soundboard.
 UF cembalo verticale
 clavecin vertical
 klaviziterium
 klavizitherium
 BT harpsichord
- claviharpe**
 A 19th century instrument that combines a harp with a keyboard.
 UF clavi-harp
 keyed harp
 BT harp
 keyboard instrument
- clavioline**
 An electronic keyboard instrument invented in 1947 that was a forerunner to the analog synthesizer.
 BT electronic keyboard
- claviorgan**
 An instrument combining a harpsichord and an organ, in which the strings and pipes sound together.
 UF claviorganum
 BT keyboard instrument
 plucked string instrument
 zither
- claviorganum
 USE claviorgan
- clock, musical
 USE musical clock
- clock chime bell
 USE clock chimes
- clock chimes**
 A clock equipped with carillon or other chiming mechanism. For a clock equipped with a mechanical organ use musical clock.
 UF bell, clock chime
 bell, tower clock
 chiming clock
 clock chime bell
 tower clock bell
 BT chimes
 mechanical instrument
- clock-organ
 USE musical clock
- clog box
 USE wood block
- cloud chamber bowls**
 An instrument invented by Harry Partch that consists of tuned glass bowls suspended in a frame.
 BT percussion idiophone
- coach-horn
 USE post horn
- colachon
 USE calichon
- colascione**
 An Italian long-neck lute derived from the Middle Eastern tanbûr, in which two or three courses of strings are played with a plectrum.
 BT plucked lute
- colascione (bass lute)
 USE calichon
- common flute
 USE recorder
- computer**
 A computer that is explicitly required in the performance of a musical work.
 BT electronic instrument

computer printer

A printer activated by a computer and used as medium of performance.

BT electronic instrument

coh¹

USE saùng-gauk

coh¹ kok¹

USE saùng-gauk

concert band

USE band

concert flute

USE flute

concert grand (piano)

USE piano

concertina

A button-key accordion on which the button motion is in the same direction as that of the bellows.

UF squashbox

BT button-key accordion

concertina ensemble

An ensemble consisting of two or more concertinas.

BT instrumental ensemble

concussion idiophone

An idiophone that consists of two or more complementary sonorous parts struck against each other.

BT struck idiophone

NT body percussion

castanets

ching (cymbals)

clapper (percussion)

clapsticks

claves

cymbal

finger cymbals

conductor

A conductor who is also a performer, as explicitly stated by the composer.

UF director, music

music conductor

music director

BT performer

conga

A tall, narrow, single-headed Afro-Cuban drum.

UF conga drum

tumbadora

BT drum

NT quinto (drum)

conga drum

USE conga

continuo

An instrumental practice of the 17th and 18th centuries in which one or more instruments improvise a chordal accompaniment from a written bass line.

UF basso continuo

figured bass

thoroughbass

through bass

BT ensemble

instrument

contra-alto clarinet

A contra-alto member of the clarinet family that is associated with Western art music and is pitched in E_♭, a fourth higher than the contrabass clarinet.

UF contrabass clarinet (E_♭)

contralto clarinet

E_♭ contrabass clarinet

E-flat contrabass clarinet

BT clarinet

contra-bass clarinet

USE contrabass clarinet

contrabass

USE double bass

contrabass clarinet

A contrabass member of the clarinet family that is associated with Western art music and is pitched in B_♭, two octaves below the soprano clarinet.

UF B_♭ contrabass clarinet

B-flat contrabass clarinet

contra-bass clarinet

pedal clarinet

BT clarinet

contrabass clarinet (E_♭)

USE contra-alto clarinet

contrabass flute

BT flute

contrabass recorder

BT recorder

contrabass saxophone

BT saxophone

contrabass trombone

BT trombone

contrabass tuba

USE tuba

contrabass voice

USE basso profondo

contrabassoon

UF double bassoon

BT bassoon

contralto clarinet

USE contra-alto clarinet

contralto voice

USE alto voice

cor anglais

USE English horn

cornaboux

USE cornett

cornamusa

UF cornemuse (cornamusa)

BT double reed instrument

cornemuse (bagpipe)

USE bagpipe

cornemuse (cornamusa)

USE cornamusa

cornet

A valved brass instrument of contralto or soprano pitch that was developed in the late 1820s.

UF cornopean

BT brass instrument

cornet à bouquin

USE cornett

cornet ensemble

An ensemble consisting of two or more cornets.

BT brass ensemble

corneta

USE cornett

cornett

An wind instrument popular in the 16th and 17th centuries that consists of a conical wooden pipe with finger holes and a cup mouthpiece.

UF cornaboux

cornet à bouquin

corneta

cornetto

zink

BT brass instrument

cornetto

USE cornett

cornopean

USE cornet

corps, drum and bugle

USE drum and bugle corps

corps, drum and fife

USE fife and drum corps

corps, fife and drum

USE fife and drum corps

cortaldi

USE racket

cortalli

USE racket

countertenor (singer)

USE countertenor voice

countertenor voice

UF countertenor (singer)

BT male voice

cowbell

A percussion instrument similar to bells worn by livestock, but without a clapper.

UF Almglocke

BT bell

crystal

A musical instrument constructed of glass rods attached to tuned metal stems that are sounded by the friction of moistened fingers rubbed on the glass.

UF Cristal Baschet

crystal organ

BT friction idiophone

Cristal Baschet

USE cristal

cromorne

USE crumhorn

crot

USE crwth

crotales

Small cymbals tuned to a definite pitch.

BT percussion idiophone

crouth

USE crwth

crowd (crwth)

USE crwth

crumhorn

A capped double-reed instrument most commonly

used in Renaissance Europe.

UF cromorne

krumhorn

BT double reed instrument

crwth

A Welsh lyre that has been bowed since the 11th century.

UF crot

crouth

crowd (crwth)

BT bowed string instrument

lyre

crychord

BT monochord

crystal organ

USE cristal

csakan

A walking stick recorder originating around Vienna in the early 19th century.

UF csákány

BT recorder

csákány

USE csakan

cuatro

Any of several distinct Latin American or Caribbean instruments of the guitar family.

BT plucked lute

cuenta

USE quena

cuíca

A Brazilian friction drum whose pitch can be changed by applying varying pressure to the drum head.

UF pũita

quíca

BT friction drum

curtal

USE dulcian

cylinder piano

USE barrel piano

cymbal

A single cymbal suspended on a stand, or a pair of cymbals struck together.

BT concussion idiophone

percussion idiophone

NT jao pa

jhānjh

cymbal (cimbalom)

USE cimbalom

cymbalom

USE cimbalom

cymbalum

USE cimbalom

D clarinet (sopranino)

USE sopranino clarinet

da kuan hsien

UF daguangxian

BT hu qin

da tong

A type of er hu used in performances of Hunan flower drum drama.

BT er hu

daf

USE daff

daff

A round single-headed frame drum from the Middle East and North Africa.

UF daf

ḍaph

duff

BT frame drum

daguangxian

USE da kuan hsien

damba

A Ghanaian hourglass drum played at the damba festival.

BT hourglass drum

đàn bầu

A single-string zither of Vietnam.

UF đàn độc huyền

BT plucked string instrument

zither

đàn độc huyền

USE đàn bầu

dan pi ku

UF bangu

danbigu

BT drum

đàn tranh

A 16-string board zither of Vietnam.

BT zither

danbigu
USE dan pi ku

dance band
USE big band

dance orchestra (big band)
USE big band

dancer
A dancer who is explicitly required by the composer for the performance of a musical work.
BT performer
NT tap dancer

daph
USE daff

darabuke
USE darabukka

darabukka
A single-headed goblet drum found in the Middle East and North Africa.
UF darabuke
darboukka
darbuga
darbuka
darbukka
derabucca
derbouka
derbuga
derbuka
derbukka
dumbek
BT goblet drum

darboukka
USE darabukka

darbuga
USE darabukka

darbuka
USE darabukka

darbukka
USE darabukka

daruan
USE ruan

daul
USE tupan

daule
USE dholi

davul
USE dholi

daxophone
A bowed idiophone consisting of a narrow, flat strip of wood anchored at one end, invented by Hans Reichel in the 1980s.
BT friction idiophone

deblek
USE dümbelek

derabucca
USE darabukka

derbouka
USE darabukka

derbuga
USE darabukka

derbuka
USE darabukka

derbukka
USE darabukka

descant recorder
USE soprano recorder

descant viol
USE pardessus de viole

desk bell
USE tap bell

devil's fiddle
USE skrzypce

devil's violin
USE skrzypce

dhavul
USE tavil

dhimay
A double-headed cylindrical drum from Nepal.
UF dhime
BT drum

dhime
USE dhimay

dhol (Caucasian drum)
USE dholi

dholi
A Caucasian and Middle Eastern double-headed cylindrical drum with laced heads.
UF daule
davul
dhol (Caucasian drum)
dhol
doli

doul
BT drum

di
USE di zi

di zi
A Chinese transverse flute.
UF di
dizi
ti-tse
BT ductless flute
NT bangdi
qudi

diabelskie skrzypce
USE skrzypce

diable skrzype
USE skrzypce

diamond marimba
BT mallet instrument

didley bow
A single-string zither of the rural American South.
BT plucked string instrument
zither

didgeridoo
USE didjeridu

didjeridoo
USE didjeridu

didjeridu
An Aboriginal Australian brass instrument.
UF didgeridoo
didjeridoo
digeridoo
dijiridu
BT natural horn

digeridoo
USE didjeridu

digital harpsichord
USE electronic harpsichord

digital keyboard
USE electronic keyboard

digital piano
USE electronic piano

digital player piano
An acoustic piano with added digital technology allowing for recording and playback of piano performances, as in a player piano.
UF hybrid piano
recording and reproducing piano
BT electronic instrument
player piano

dijiridu
USE didjeridu

dilrubā
A long-necked, fretted fiddle of Northern India and Pakistan.
BT bowed lute

director, music
USE conductor

dizi
USE di zi

djembe
An African goat skin goblet drum played with bare hands.
UF jembe
jenbe
BT goblet drum

djil
USE gyil

do nally
USE algōjā

dobro
USE resonator guitar

doff al-zinjāri
USE rīqq

dohol
USE dholi

dolçaina
USE dulzaina

dolceola
A zither with a keyboard manufactured in the early 20th century.
UF dulceola
BT keyboard instrument
zither

dolcian
USE dulcian

dolcino
USE dulcian

doli
USE dholi

dolzaina
USE dulzaina

dolzoni
USE dulcian

dombäck
USE zarb

dombak
USE zarb

dombira
USE dömbra

dömbra
A long-necked two-string plucked lute of Central Asia.
UF dombira
dumbrak
BT plucked lute

domra
A long-necked plucked lute of Russia with a round body and three or four strings.
BT plucked lute

dotār
USE dutār

double B-flat tuba
USE tuba

double bass
UF bass (stringed instrument)
bass viol
contrabass
stand-up bass
string bass
upright bass
BT bowed lute

double bass viol
USE violone

double bassoon
USE contrabassoon

double C tuba
USE tuba

double contra-alto flute
USE subcontrabass flute

double reed instrument
An unspecified double reed instrument.
BT reed instrument
NT alboka
aulos
bagpipe
bālabān (double reed instrument)
bassoon
chirimia
cornamusa
crumhorn
duduk (double reed instrument)
dulcian
dulzaina
English horn
gralla
guan
hautbois de Poitou
heckelphone
hichiriki
koj
mey
mukhavīnā
nāgasvaram
oboe
pī
p'iri
practice chanter
racket
rgya-gling
šahnāi
sarrusophone
shawm
suo na
t'aep'yōngso
tenora
zumari
zūrnā

doul
USE dholi

drum
An unspecified drum.
BT membranophone
percussion instrument
NT arará
atabaque
babadok
bass drum
bongos
bonkó
ceñda
conga
dan pi ku
dhimay

- dholi
 frame drum
 friction drum
 ghaṭa
 goblet drum
 hourglass drum
 kañjirā
 lambeg drum
 mādal
 mridanga
 nāykhīm
 ngoma
 par
 pung
 rebana
 repinque
 rouleur
 snare drum
 tabla
 taiko
 tambou
 tāshā
 tavil
 timbales criollos
 timpani
 tom-tom
 tumba
 tupan
 yaogu
 yuka
 drum, bronze
 USE bronze drum
 drum, steel
 USE steel drum
drum and bugle corps
 A musical marching ensemble consisting of brass instruments, percussion instruments, and color guard, but excluding woodwind instruments.
 UF corps, drum and bugle drum corps
 BT band
 drum and fife corps
 USE fife and drum corps
drum circle
 A group of people informally gathered, usually in a circle, who play improvised rhythms on world percussion instruments.
 BT percussion ensemble
 drum corps
 USE drum and bugle corps
 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, tom-toms, hi-hat, and cymbals.
 UF drum kit
 drumset
 trap kit
 trap set
 traps
 BT percussion instrument
 drumset
 USE drum set
 duandi
 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 algōjā
 atenteben
 dvorgrlē
 flageolet
 iwabue
 khlui
 melody flute
 Native American flute
 ocarina
 penny whistle
 pinkullu
 pipe (musical instrument)
 recorder
 saxoflute
 slide whistle
 suling
 svirala
 tarka
 tlapitzalli
 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 bānsuī
 blul
 di zi
 fife
 flute
 huang zhong
 kagurabue
 kaval
 kōauau
 kurai
 limbe
 nāy (flute)
 nōkan
 panpipes
 quena
 ryūteki
 saluang
 sáo
 shakuhachi
 shinobue
 šupeļjka
 sybyzghy
 tanso
 veru
 washint
 xiao
 xun
 dude
 USE dudy
duduk (double reed instrument)
 A double-reed instrument of ancient Armenian origin.
 UF duduki
 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 curtal
 dolcian
 dolcino
 dolzoni
 dulzian
 BT double reed instrument
dulcimer
 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
 santūr
 ṭambal
 yang qin
 yanggūm
 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
 dultzaina
 USE dulzaina
dulzaina
 A double-reed folk instrument of Spain and the Basque region.
 UF bolingozo
 dolçaina
 dolzaina
 dultzaina
 pito
 BT double reed instrument
 dulzian
 USE dulcian
 dumbeg
 USE dūmbelek
 dumbek
 USE darabukka
 dūmbelek
dūmbelek
 A single-headed goblet drum of Syria and Turkey.
 UF deblek
 dumbeg
 dūmbek
 BT goblet drum
 dumbrak
 USE dōmbra
 dūndūn
 USE talking drum
duṭār
 Any one of various types of long-neck fretted lutes of the Middle East and Central Asia.
 UF dotār
 BT plucked lute
 Dutch organ
 USE barrel organ
 dvogrla
 USE dvorgrlē
 dvogrle
 USE dvorgrlē
 dvorgrla
 USE dvorgrlē
dvorgrlē
 A double flute of Herzegovina.
 UF dvogrla
 dvogrle
 dvorgrla
 BT duct flute
 dynaphone
 USE telharmonium
 e-cello
 USE electric cello
 E♭ clarinet (alto)
 USE alto clarinet
 E♭ clarinet (sopranino)
 USE sopranino clarinet
 E♭ contrabass clarinet
 USE contra-alto clarinet
 E-flat clarinet (alto)
 USE alto clarinet
 E-flat clarinet (sopranino)
 USE sopranino 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
edge-blown instrument
 A woodwind instrument whose sound is created by blowing across an edge.
 BT woodwind instrument
 NT duct flute
 ductless flute

edge-blown instrument (*Continued*)

nose flute
suifūkin

ekón

A bell made from two pieces of metal, lacking a clapper, and struck on the outside, used by the Afro-Cuban Abakwá people.

UF banká
ekong

BT bell

ekong

USE ekón

ekue

An Afro-Cuban single-headed friction drum with a loose shaft.

BT friction drum

electric acoustic guitar

USE electric guitar

electric bass guitar

USE bass guitar

electric cello

UF e-cello
electronic violoncello

BT cello

electronic instrument

electric guitar

An acoustic or solid-bodied guitar that is electronically amplified.

UF acoustic guitar, electric
e-guitar

electric acoustic guitar

electro-acoustic guitar

electroacoustic guitar

BT electronic instrument
guitar

NT bass guitar

electric harpsichord

USE electronic harpsichord

electric organ

USE electronic organ

electric piano

USE electronic piano

electric violin

An acoustic or solid-bodied violin that is electronically amplified.

UF e-violin
electronic violin

BT electronic instrument
violin

electrical orchestra

USE Novachord

electro-acoustic guitar

USE electric guitar

electroacoustic guitar

USE electric guitar

electronic drum

USE drum machine

electronic harpsichord

UF digital harpsichord
electric harpsichord

MIDI-harpsichord

BT electronic instrument
harpsichord

electronic instrument

An instrument that produces sounds by outputting an electric audio signal.

BT instrument

NT cell phone

computer

computer printer

digital player piano

drum machine

electric cello

electric guitar

electric violin

electronic harpsichord

electronic organ

electronic piano

electronics

electronium

heliphon

MIDI controller

mouseketier

ondes Martenot

percussion controller

piano-harp

radio receiver

sampler

sequencer

synthesizer

television set

telharmonium

theremin
trautonium

electronic keyboard

UF digital keyboard
keyboard synthesizer

BT keyboard instrument

synthesizer

NT clavoline

Novachord

electronic keyboard ensemble

An ensemble consisting of two or more electronic keyboards.

BT electronics

keyboard ensemble

electronic organ

An organ that produces sounds only through electronic means, or that has electroacoustical or electromechanical elements.

UF electric organ

BT electronic instrument

organ

NT archiphone

Novachord

electronic organ ensemble

BT keyboard ensemble

electronic percussion

USE drum machine

electronic piano

A piano that produces sounds through digital oscillators or through digital synthesis.

UF digital piano

electric piano

BT electronic instrument

keyboard instrument

electronic trumpet

USE wind controller

electronic valve instrument

USE wind controller

electronic violin

USE electric violin

electronic violoncello

USE electric cello

electronic wind instrument

USE wind controller

electronics

Unspecified electronic sounds, either produced live or from a recording.

UF tape (electronics)

BT electronic instrument

instrumental ensemble

NT electronic keyboard ensemble

live electronics

pre-recorded audio

processed sound

electronium

UF elektronium

BT electronic instrument

keyboard instrument

elektronium

USE electronium

enas

USE launeddas

enchemí

USE bonkó

English flute

USE recorder

English guitar

UF cetra

BT plucked lute

English horn

UF cor anglais

tenor oboe

BT double reed instrument

engoma

USE ngoma

enharmonic organ

USE organ

ensemble

A group that is not named according to number of performers or a more specific medium of performance.

NT audience

continuo

instrumental ensemble

mixed media

pin peat

vocal ensemble

ëochin

USE yoochin (dulcimer)

eolian harp

USE aeolian harp

epinette de Vosges

USE epinette des Vosges

epinette des Vosges

UF bûche

epinette de Vosges

Vosges, epinette des

BT psaltery

equal voices

A chorus in which all the voices parts are for one type of voice.

BT chorus

er hu

UF erhu

BT hu qin

NT da tong

zhong hu

erhu

USE er hu

erzlaute

USE archlute

eunuch flute

USE kazoo

euphonium

The tenor instrument of the tuba family. For the baritone of the saxhorn family see baritone horn.

BT brass instrument

euphonium (clavicylinder)

USE clavicylinder

eVI (electronic valve instrument)

USE wind controller

eVI wind controller

USE wind controller

eWI (electronic wind instrument)

USE wind controller

explosion calliope

USE pyrophone

explosion organ

USE pyrophone

fabiol

USE flaviol

fagottino

USE tenoroon

fair organ

USE fairground organ

fairground organ

A mechanical organ used for outdoor entertainments and circuses.

UF band organ

fair organ

showground organ

BT mechanical organ

feadóg stáin

USE penny whistle

fêli

A single-headed goblet drum with attached metal rattles.

BT goblet drum

female voice

UF woman's voice

BT singer

NT alto voice

mezzo-soprano voice

soprano voice

fiddle

BT bowed lute

fiddle, Black Sea

USE kamânche

fiddle, bladder

USE bumbass

fiddle, devil's

USE skrzypce

fiddle, nun's

USE trumpet marine

fiddle, straw

USE xylophone

fife

BT ductless flute

fife and drum band

USE fife and drum corps

fife and drum corps

UF corps, drum and fife

corps, fife and drum

drum and fife corps

fife and drum band

BT band

figured bass

USE continuo

finger cymbals

UF zilia

zils

BT concussion idiophone

- finger snapping**
BT body percussion
- fire calliope
USE pyrophone
- fire organ
USE pyrophone
- flabiol
USE flaviol
- flageolet**
BT duct flute
- flame organ
USE pyrophone
- flamenco guitar
USE guitar
- Flandre, basse de
USE bumbass
- flat-top guitar
USE guitar
- flauta pastoril
USE gaita (pipe)
- flauto d'amore
USE flûte d'amour
- flauto dolce
USE recorder
- flaviol**
UF fabiol
flabiol
fluviol
BT pipe (musical instrument)
- flowerpot**
BT percussion instrument
- flugelhorn**
BT brass instrument
- flute**
The flute of European art music. For generic uses of flute see ductless flute or duct flute.
UF Boehm flute
concert flute
transverse flute
BT ductless flute
NT alto flute
bass flute
contrabass flute
flûte d'amour
piccolo
subcontrabass flute
- flute choir**
An ensemble of two or more flutes of any type.
UF flute ensemble
BT woodwind ensemble
- flute clock
USE musical clock
- flute d'amore
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 \flat , 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 flaviol
- folk bass guitar
USE acoustic bass guitar
- foot clapping
USE foot tapping
- foot percussion
USE foot tapping
- foot tapping**
UF clapping, foot
foot clapping
foot percussion
podorhythm
tapping, foot
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 bendir
bodhrán
daff
- parai
ravanne
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
friction instrument
NT cúica
ekue
- friction 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
- frula
USE svirala
- full orchestra
USE orchestra
- gadolka
USE güdulka
- Gaelic harp
USE Irish harp
- gagaku-biwa
USE biwa
- gaita (bagpipe)**
BT bagpipe
- gaita (pipe)**
UF flauta pastoril
BT pipe (musical instrument)
- gaku-biwa
USE biwa
- galizona
USE calichon
- gallichon
USE calichon
- gallichone
USE calichon
- gallizona
USE calichon
- galoubet**
UF jombarde
txistu
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 gamelang
BT instrumental ensemble
NT gamelan degung
gamelan genggong
gamelan gong gede
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 tingklik with added flutes, drums and gong, used to accompany social dance.
UF gamelan pajogedan
joged bumbung
pejogedan bumbung
BT gamelan
- gamelan pajogedan
USE gamelan joged bumbung
- gamelan semar pagulingan
USE gamelan semar pegulingan
- gamelan semar pegulingan**
A court gamelan from Bali.
UF gamelan semar pagulingan
semar pagulingan
semar pegulingan
BT gamelan
- gamelang
USE gamelan
- gamlika
USE güdulka
- gan gan
USE agogo
- gángán
USE talking drum
- ganzá
USE reco-reco
- gao hu**
A string instrument similar to the er hu, but smaller and with a higher tone.
UF gaohu
high hu
yue hu
BT hu qin
- gaodi
USE bangdi
- gaohu
USE gao hu
- garmon
USE accordion
- gayagüm
USE kayagüm
- gazoo
USE kazoo
- gazooka
USE kazoo
- gazoota
USE kazoo
- ge hu**
A large four-stringed Chinese instrument from the 1950s that is tuned like a cello.
UF gehu
BT hu qin
- gehu
USE ge hu
- gemendze
USE kamänche
- gender**
A multi-octave mallet instrument from Java and Bali.
BT mallet instrument

- genggong
USE Jew's harp
- gharā
USE għaṭa
- għaṭa**
UF għarā
ghaṭi
kaṭam
BT drum
- ghaṭi
USE għaṭa
- ghichak**
UF gidzhak
gijak
BT bowed lute
- gidzhak
USE ghichak
- gijak
USE ghichak
- gimbri
USE gunibī
- girls' chorus**
BT chorus
- gjold
USE gūdulka
- glass**
A glass of any shape or size manipulated to produce sound.
BT friction idiophone
percussion instrument
- glass harmonica**
UF armonica
glasses, musical
harmonica, glass
musical glasses
BT friction idiophone
- glasses, musical
USE glass harmonica
verrophone
- glaw-ng æ
USE klŏng æ
- glaw-ng yao
USE klŏng yāo
- glin-bu
USE limbe
- gliing-bu
USE limbe
- glock
USE glockenspiel
- glockenspiel**
UF bell lyra
bell lyre
bells, orchestra
bells, orchestral
bells (glockenspiel)
chimes (glockenspiel)
glock
lyra, bell
lyre, bell
orchestra bells
orchestral bells
BT mallet instrument
- gmbri
USE gunibī
- gnbri
USE gunibī
- goblet drum**
BT drum
NT darabukka
djembe
dũmbelek
fēli
klŏng æ
klŏng yāo
zarb
- goč
USE tupan
- godie
USE goge
- goge**
UF godie
goje
gonje
BT bowed lute
- gogen-biwa
USE biwa
- gogo (lute)
USE gunibī
- goje
USE goge
- gom-gom
USE gora
- goma
USE ngoma
- gombri
USE gunibī
- gomo
USE ngoma
- gomungo
USE kŏmun'go
- gong**
BT percussion idiophone
NT ching (gong)
hsiao luo
tam-tam
- gong, rin
USE singing bowl
- gong, suzu
USE singing bowl
- gong gede
USE gamelan gong gede
- gong kebyar
USE gamelan gong kebyar
- gonje
USE goge
- gonrang**
BT instrumental ensemble
- gora**
UF gom-gom
gorah
gorra
gowra
t'goerra
t'gorrah
BT musical bow
- gorah
USE gora
- gorra
USE gora
- gotuvadyam**
A fretless vina from Southern India.
UF block instrument
mahanataka vina
BT vina
- gowra
USE gora
- grall de pastor
USE gralla
- gralla**
A small shawm-like double-reed instrument from Catalonia and Spain.
UF grall de pastor
xaramita
xirimita
BT double reed instrument
- gran lira
USE lirone
- grand piano
USE piano
- great bass recorder**
BT recorder
- grinder organ
USE barrel organ
- gu zheng
USE zheng
- guan**
UF bili
guan zi
guanzi
kuan tzu
BT double reed instrument
- guan zi
USE guan
- guanzi
USE guan
- guayo
USE guiro
- gudastviri
USE chiboni
- gūdulka**
UF gadulka
gamlka
gjold
kemene
kopanka
tsigulka
BT bowed string instrument
- guembri
USE gunibī
- guenbrit
USE gunibī
- guimbri
USE gunibī
- gunbri
USE gunibī
- guinbri
USE gunibī
- guiro
USE gunibī
- guinbri
USE gunibī
- guiro**
UF calabazo
guayo
ralladera
rascador
BT indirectly struck idiophone
- giuro (rattle)
USE cabaca
- guitar**
UF acoustic guitar
arched-top guitar
classical guitar
flamenco guitar
flat-top guitar
Spanish guitar
BT plucked lute
NT acoustic bass guitar
bajo sexto
chitarra battente
electric guitar
harp guitar
lyre-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.
UF 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**
UF guitar, Portuguese
Portuguese guitar
BT plucked lute
- guitarrón**
A fretless bass guitar from Mexico.
UF guitarrón mexicano
BT plucked lute
- guitarrón mexicano
USE guitarrón
- gulintangan
USE kulintang
- gumbri
USE gunibī
- gunbri
USE gunibī
- gunibī**
A plucked lute with one to three strings from North Africa.
UF gimbri
gmbri
gnbri
gogo (lute)
gombri
guembri
guenbrit
guimbri
guinbri
gumbri
gunbri
hejhuj
sintir
BT plucked lute
- guqin
USE qin
- gusla
USE gusle
- gusle**
A single-string bowed lute of Southeastern Europe. For the psaltery from Russia see gusli.
UF gusla
BT bowed lute
- gusli**
A psaltery from Russia. For the single-string bowed lute of Southeastern Europe see gusle.
UF husli
BT psaltery

- gutbucket
USE washtub bass
- guzheng
USE zheng
- gyl**
UF djil
BT xylophone
- Hackbrett
USE dulcimer
- haegüm**
A two-string spike fiddle from Korea.
UF hyegum
BT bowed lute
- halur
USE bānsuī
- hammer dulcimer
USE dulcimer
- hammered dulcimer
USE dulcimer
- hammered dulcimer, Hungarian
USE cimbalom
- Hammond Novachord
USE Novachord
- hand clapping**
UF clapping, hand
BT body percussion
- hand organ
USE barrel organ
- hand piano
USE mbira
- hand piano, African
USE mbira
- handbell**
A bell with a handle held in the hand for ringing.
BT bell
- handbell choir**
An ensemble consisting of two or more handbells.
UF handbell team
BT percussion ensemble
- handbell team
USE handbell choir
- handchime choir**
An ensemble consisting of two or more handchimes.
UF handchime team
handchime ensemble
BT percussion ensemble
- handchime ensemble
USE handchime choir
- handchime team
USE handchime choir
- handchimes**
A chime, usually in the shape of a square tube, with an external clapper that is rung by hand.
BT chimes
- hankin
USE ichigenkin
- Hardanger fiddle**
A traditional violin of Western Norway with four or five sympathetic strings running beneath the fingerboard.
UF Harding fiddle
hardingfele
BT bowed lute
- Harding fiddle
USE Hardanger fiddle
- hardingfele
USE Hardanger fiddle
- harmonic canon**
A plucked box zither with 44 or 88 strings invented by Harry Partch.
BT plucked string instrument
zither
- 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
saung-gauk
- 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
fretless zither
guitar zither
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 arcicembalo
clavicytherium
electronic harpsichord
pedal harpsichord
sambuca lincea
- harpsichord ensemble**
An ensemble consisting of two or more solo harpsichords.
BT keyboard ensemble
- hautbois de Poitou**
A straight wind-cap shawm 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
- heckelphone**
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
- hejhuj
USE gunibī
- helicon**
A valved 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♭clarinet
USE soprano clarinet
- high E-flat clarinet
USE soprano clarinet
- high hu
USE gao hu
- high treble viol
USE pardessus de viole
- 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
- hojök
USE t'aep'yöngso
- hommel
USE noordsche balk
- horn**
An orchestral valved 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
- houleur
USE rouleur
- hourglass drum**
A struck drum with a body that is smaller in diameter in the middle than at the ends.
BT drum
NT batá
changgo
damba
kotsuzumi
talking drum
- hsiao luo**
UF xiaoluo
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 huqin
BT bowed string instrument
NT da kuan hsien
er hu
gao hu
ge hu
hu hu
jing hu
zhui qin
- huagu
USE yaogu
- huang zhong**
BT ductless flute
- hueco
USE catá
- humle
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
- husli
USE gusli
- husor
USE bānsuī
- huur, morin
USE morin huur
- hybrid piano
USE digital player piano
- hydraulic barrel organ**
BT barrel organ
water organ
- hydraulic organ
USE water organ
- hydraulis
USE water organ
- hydraulos
USE water organ
- hydraulus
USE water organ
- hyegum
USE haegūm
- hyōn'gūm
USE kōmun'go
- ichigen-kin
USE ichigenkin
- ichigenkin**
A single-string Japanese zither.
UF hankin
ichigen-kin
BT plucked string instrument
zither
- idiophone**
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 rubāb with a high bridge a curved neck.
UF amzad
anzad
anzhad
inzad
rabāba (imzad)
BT rubāb
- indirectly struck idiophone**
An unspecified or undetermined idiophone in which the percussion is produced indirectly, such as by shaking or scraping the instrument.
BT struck idiophone
NT angklung (rattle)
cabaca
guiro
jawbone
maraca
notched rattle
rattle
reco-reco
Talerschwinger
tambourine
washboard
- iñgoma
USE ngoma
- ingomba
USE ngoma
- instrument**
Any unspecified or undetermined solo instrument.
UF musical instrument
unspecified instrument
BT performer
NT aerophone
continuo
electronic instrument
friction instrument
idiophone
keyboard instrument
- mechanical instrument
melody instrument
membranophone
percussion
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
concertina ensemble
dulcimer ensemble
electronics
gamelan
gonrang
harmonica ensemble
jazz combo
jug band
keyboard ensemble
khrūang sāi
mahōri
orchestra
percussion ensemble
pipe band
pīphāt
plucked instrument ensemble
plung orchestra
string band
string orchestra
talempong
toy orchestra
washboard band
wind ensemble
zither ensemble
- inzad
USE imzad
- 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
- ishibue
USE iwabue
- iwabue**
A small Japanese stone flute.
UF ishibue
stone flute
stone whistle
duct flute
BT
- ja-kae
USE čhakhē
- jabisen
USE sanshin
- jākhāy
USE čhakhē
- jakhē
USE čhakhē
- jal tarang
USE jaltarang
- jaltarang**
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
USE jaltarang
- jamisen
USE sanshin
- jao pa**
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
- jednojka
USE svirala
- jegog
USE gamelan jegog
- jembe
USE djembe
- jenbe
USE djembe
- Jew's harp**
UF genggong
jaw harp
jaw's harp
khomus
trump
BT plucked idiophone
- jhān-jhān
USE jhānjh
- jhāni
USE jhānjh
- jhānj
USE jhānjh
- jhānjh**
UF jhāni
jhānj
jhān-jhān
jhānjha
BT cymbal
- jhānjha
USE jhānjh
- jin qian ban**
A Chinese clapper used in storytelling.
BT clapper (percussion)
- jing hu**
A high-pitched hu qin.
UF jinghu
BT hu qin
- jinghu
USE jing hu
- joged bumbung
USE gamelan joged bumbung
- jombarde
USE galoubet
- jorhi
USE algōjā
- joī
USE algōjā
- jouhikko**
A Finnish bowed lyre with two to four strings.
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
- kā'eke'eke**
BT percussion idiophone
- kacapi (plucked lute)**
A boat-shaped plucked lute from Indonesia.
UF kacaping
kacapi
BT plucked lute
- kacapi (zither)**
A plucked box zither from the Sundanese areas of West Java.
UF kacapi (zither)

BT plucked string instrument
zither

kacaping
USE kacapi (plucked lute)

kaen
USE khǎn

kǎng
USE lu sheng

kagurabue
A six- or seven-hole Japanese flute.
UF yamatobue
BT ductless flute

kalimba
USE mbira

kamale ngoni
USE kamele ngoni

k'aman
USE kamānche

k'amancha
USE kamānche

kamānche
A spike fiddle of the Black Sea region, Pontic Greece, and Iran.
UF Black Sea fiddle
Black Sea kemençe
çemençe
fiddle, Black Sea
gemendze
k'aman
k'amancha
kamancheh
kāmanja
kamantcha
karadeniz kemençesi
kemancha
kemanche
kemençe
kemenche
kemendze
kementche
kyamancha
Pontian lyra
Pontic kemenche
Pontic lyra
BT bowed lute

kamancheh
USE kamānche

kāmanja
USE kamānche

kamantcha
USE kamānche

kamele ngoni
A six-stringed harp of the Wassolou region of Mali.
UF kamale ngoni
BT harp-lute

kañcirā
USE kañjirā

kanjeera
USE kañjirā

kañjirā
A South Indian frame drum.
UF kañcirā
kanjeera
BT drum

kanklēs
USE Baltic psaltery

kannel
USE Baltic psaltery

k'anon
USE qānūn

kanonaki
USE qānūn

kanoon
USE qānūn

kantele
USE Baltic psaltery

kanun
USE qānūn

karadeniz kemençesi
USE kamānche

kaṭam
USE ghaṭa

kaval
A rim-blown flute of Southeastern Europe and Turkey.
UF caval
kavali
kavall
qawūl
BT ductless flute

kavali
USE kaval

kavall
USE kaval

kaw law
A vertical log xylophone of northeastern Thailand.
UF bong lang
khōlō
pong lang
pong larng
pōnglāng
BT xylophone

kaya kum
USE kayagūm

kayago
USE kayagūm

kayagūm
A Korean twelve-stringed zither.
UF gayagūm
kaya kum
kayago
kayakko
kayako
kayakum
BT plucked string instrument
zither

kayakko
USE kayagūm

kayako
USE kayagūm

kayakum
USE kayagūm

kazoo
UF bazoo
bazooka
eunuch flute
gazoo
gazooka
gazoota
tommy talker
zarah
BT singing membrane

kecapi
USE kacapi (plucked lute)

kecapi (zither)
USE kacapi (zither)

kechruk
USE angklung (xylophone)

kei
BT percussion idiophone

kemanak
A banana-shaped metal idiophone of Java that is usually used in pairs.
UF kenawak
BT percussion idiophone

kemancha
USE kamānche

kemanche
USE kamānche

kemençe
USE kamānche

kemenche
USE kamānche

kemendze
USE kamānche

kemene
USE gūdulka

kementche
USE kamānche

kena
USE quena

kena-kena
USE quena

kenawak
USE kemanak

Kent bugle
USE keyed bugle

Kent horn
USE keyed bugle

Kentucky dulcimer
USE Appalachian dulcimer

kettledrum
USE timpani

kettledrums
USE timpani

key fiddle
USE keyed fiddle

keyboard controller
A MIDI with a keyboard controller.
BT MIDI controller

keyboard ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more varied keyboard instruments.
BT instrumental ensemble

NT electronic keyboard ensemble
electronic organ ensemble
harpsichord ensemble
organ ensemble
piano ensemble
player piano ensemble

keyboard instrument
An unspecified or unidentified keyboard instrument.
UF keyboard stringed instrument
string keyboard instrument
stringed keyboard instrument

BT instrument

NT carillon
celesta
clavichord
clavicylinder
clavicharpe
claviorgan
dolceola
dulcitone
electronic keyboard
electronic piano
electronium
harp-piano
harpsichord
lute-harpsichord
organ
orphéal
piano
tangent piano
telharmonium
toy piano
virginal

keyboard percussion instrument
USE mallet instrument

keyboard stringed instrument
USE keyboard instrument

keyboard synthesizer
USE electronic keyboard

keyed bugle
UF Kent bugle
Kent horn
royal Kent bugle
BT bugle

keyed fiddle
UF key fiddle
lökkelje
nyckelgiga
nyckelharpa
Schlüssselfidel
Schlüssselfidel
BT bowed lute

keyed harp
USE clavicharpe

keyed trumpet
BT trumpet

khǎn
UF kaen
khen
khène
BT mouth organ

kháw-ng wong
USE khōng wong

khen
USE khǎn

khène
USE khǎn

khil-khuur
USE morin huur

khim
A hammered dulcimer of Laos and Thailand that is similar to, but smaller than, the yang qin.
UF kim (dulcimer)
BT dulcimer

khlui
A bamboo duct flute from Thailand with six or seven finger holes and a thumb hole.
BT duct flute

khol
USE mridanga

khōlō
USE kaw law

khomus
USE Jew's harp

khong wong
USE khōng wong

khōng wong
A group of bossed gongs set on a circular frame.
UF kháw-ng wong
khong wong
BT percussion idiophone

khṛṅṅ sāi

A instrumental ensemble consisting of strings and a flute and used in the Thai court.

- UF khṛṅṅsāi
- BT instrumental ensemble

khṛṅṅsāi

USE khṛṅṅ sāi

kiak

USE qobuz

kīkā kila

USE steel guitar

kim (dulcimer)

USE khim

kimbalom

USE cimbalom

kisaanj

USE mbira

kit

USE pochette

kithara

USE cithara

klaviziterium

USE clavicytherium

klavizitherium

USE clavicytherium

Klavizylinder

USE clavicylinder

klentangan

USE kulintang

klṅṅ ḗ

A large Thai drum used in Buddhist temples.

- UF glaw-ng æ
- BT goblet drum

klṅṅ yāo

A Thai drum played with the hands and used in festival parades.

- UF glaw-ng yao
- BT goblet drum

ko tsuzumi

USE kotsuzumi

kōauau

A flute of the Maori people of New Zealand.

- UF kooauau
- BT ductless flute

kob

A curved brass horn from India.

- BT natural horn

kobsa

USE kobza

kobuz

USE qobuz

kobyz

USE qobuz

kobza

- UF kobsa
- BT plucked lute

kōjin-biwa

USE biwa

kokle

USE Baltic psaltery

koḷ

A double-reed instrument of the Kota people of India.

- UF koul
- BT double reed instrument

kolintang (gong-chime)

USE kulintang

kōmun'go

A six-stringed fretted, plucked, zither of Korea.

- UF gomungo
- hyōn'gūm
- kum
- BT plucked string instrument
- zither

komuz

A long-necked, unfretted, three-stringed lute of the Kirghiz people of Central Asia.

- BT plucked lute

kong hou

UF konghou

BT harp

konghou

USE kong hou

kooauau

USE kōauau

kopanka

USE gūdulka

kopuz

UF qopuz

qupuz

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

kotsuzumi

An hourglass drum used in Japanese theater.

- UF ko tsuzumi
- BT hourglass drum

koul

USE koḷ

krar

A six-string bowl lyre from Ethiopia and Eritrea.

- BT lyre

krummhorn

USE crumhorn

kuan tzu

USE guan

kudyapi

UF boat lute

kutyapi

kutyapi

BT plucked lute

kūḷalu

USE veṅu

kulintang

UF gulintangan

klentangan

kolintang (gong-chime)

kwintangan

BT percussion idiophone

kulintang ensemble

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

- BT percussion ensemble

kum

USE kōmun'go

kundi

USE qudi

kurach'ōlsa kum

USE yanggūm

kurai

An end-blown flute of the Bashkir and Tatar peoples.

- UF kuray
- qurai
- BT ductless flute

kuray

USE kurai

kutyapi

USE kudyapi

kututeng

USE mbira

kutyapi

USE kudyapi

kwintangan

USE kulintang

kyamanča

USE kamānche

kytte

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

lamellophone

USE mbira

langeleik

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 aenas

benas

bisónas

enas

leunéddas

lionéddas

sonus de canna

triédda

truédda

truvédda

BT single reed instrument

lautenclavicymbel

USE lute-harpsichord

lautenwerck

USE lute-harpsichord

Lautenwerk

USE lute-harpsichord

lavta

A Turkish plucked lute with tied frets, popular in the early 20th century.

- UF politiko laouto
- 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

Liebesflöte

USE flûte d'amour

ligawa

USE ligawka

ligawka

A wooden aerophone from the Mazowsze region of Poland.

- UF legawka
- ligawa

BT natural horn

likembe

USE mbira

limbe

A side-blown flute that originated in China and Mongolia.

- UF gliñ-bu
- gling-bu
- lingbu
- BT ductless flute

lingbu

USE limbe

linguaphone

USE mbira

lionéddas

USE launeddas

lira

USE bowed string instrument

lyre

lira (lirone)

USE lirone

lira (short-necked fiddle)

UF lyra (short-necked fiddle)

BT bowed lute

lira da braccio

UF lira da spalla

lira di sette corde

lira moderna

lyra (lira da braccio)

BT bowed lute

lira da gamba

USE lirone

lira da spalla

USE lira da braccio

lira di sette corde

USE lira da braccio

lira doppia

USE lirone

lira grande

USE lirone

lira in gamba

USE lirone

lira moderna

USE lira da braccio

- lirica**
 UF liritza
 BT bowed lute
- liritza**
 USE lirica
- lirone**
 UF arciviolasdaslyras
 arciviolata
 arciviolatalira
 gran lira
 lira (lirone)
 lira da gamba
 lira doppia
 lira grande
 lira in gamba
 lirone perfetto
 lyra (lirone)
 lyra de gamba
 lyra perfecta
 lyrone
 BT bowed lute
- lirone perfetto**
 USE lirone
- lithophone**
 A stone or a set of stones that is struck to produce sound.
 BT percussion idiophone
- liu qin**
 BT plucked lute
- liu sheng**
 USE lu sheng
- liuto attiorbato**
 USE archlute
- live electronics**
 BT electronics
- lökkelje**
 USE keyed fiddle
- lödöspill**
 BT accordion
- love flute**
 USE Native American flute
- low voice**
 BT singer
 NT alto voice
 bass-baritone voice
 bass voice
 basso profondo
- lowland bagpipes**
 USE border pipes
- lowland pipes**
 USE border pipes
- lu sheng**
 UF kæng
 liu sheng
 BT mouth organ
- luo gu**
 UF luo gu ensemble
 BT percussion ensemble
- luo gu ensemble**
 USE luo gu
- lur**
 BT natural horn
- lute**
 A fretted plucked-string instrument with a pear-shaped body that was popular in 16th-18th century Europe. For other lute-type instruments, see plucked lute and bowed lute.
 UF lyra
 BT plucked lute
 NT archlute
 Baroque lute
 Renaissance lute
- lute, Brazilian**
 USE viola-de-cocho
- 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-strung harpsichord with a mellow tone similar to a lute.
 UF lautenclavicymbel
 Lautenwerk
 lautenwerck
 lute-clavier
 theorbo-harpsichord
 BT plucked string instrument
- keyboard instrument**
 zither
- luthéal**
 UF piano luthéal
 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 (lirone)**
 USE lirone
- lyra (short-necked fiddle)**
 USE lira (short-necked fiddle)
- lyra bastarda**
 USE baryton
- lyra de gamba**
 USE lirone
- lyra perfecta**
 USE lirone
- lyra viol**
 UF lyro-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 soundtable.
 UF lira
 lyra
 BT plucked string instrument
 NT begena
 cithara
 crwth
 jouhikko
 krar
 simsimiyya
 surrogate kithara
 talharpa
- lyre, bell**
 USE glockenspiel
- lyre-guitar**
 BT guitar
- lyro-viol**
 USE lyra viol
- lyrone**
 USE lirone
- ma t'ou ch'in**
 USE morin huur
- MacArthur harp**
 USE harp zither
- machada**
 USE cavaquinho
- machete**
 USE cavaquinho
- machete-de-braga**
 USE cavaquinho
- machetinho**
 USE cavaquinho
- mädal**
 UF mädala
 BT drum
- mädala**
 USE mädal
- 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
- mahanataka vina**
 USE gottuvadyam
- mahōñ**
 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
 basso profondo
 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
 sticcado pastorale
 vibraphone
 xylophone
 xylorimba
 zoomoozophone
- mallet percussions**
 USE mallet instrument
- mando-cello**
 USE mandoloncello
- mandocello**
 USE mandoloncello
- mandola**
 UF mandolino
 mandora
 mandore
 mandorre
 BT mandolin
- mandolin**
 UF mandoline
 BT plucked lute
 NT mandola
 mandoloncello
- 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 mandolin
- mandolino**
 USE mandola
- mandoloncello**
 UF mando-cello
 mandocello
 BT mandolin
- mandora**
 USE calichon
 mandola
- mandore**
 USE mandola
- mandorlauten**
 USE calichon
- mandorre**
 USE mandola
- mandurria**
 USE bandurria
- Männerchor**
 USE men's chorus
- maraca**
 BT indirectly struck idiophone
- marching band**
 BT band
- marimba**
 UF marimbaphone
 BT mallet instrument
 NT bass marimba
- marimba (mbira)**
 USE mbira

- marimba ensemble**
 BT mallet ensemble
 marimba-xylophone
 USE xyloimba
 marimbaphone
 USE marimba
 marimbula
 USE mbira
 marine trumpet
 USE trumpet marine
- marovany (box zither)**
 BT plucked string instrument
 zither
 marovany (tube zither)
 USE valiha
 Martenot
 USE ondes Martenot
 Martenot's ondes musicales
 USE ondes Martenot
 matou qin
 USE morin huur
 matouqin
 USE morin huur
 mbila
 USE mbira
- mbira**
 UF African hand piano
 hand piano
 hand piano, African
 kalimba
 kisaanj
 kututeng
 lamellaphone
 lamellophone
 likembe
 linguaphone
 marimba (mbira)
 marimbula
 mbila
 nsansi
 sandza
 sansa
 sansi
 thumb 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
 automatophone
 BT instrument
 NT clock chimes
 mechanical organ
 mechanical piano
 music box
 orchestron
 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
 piano
 NT barrel piano
 player piano
- mechanical singing-bird box**
 UF mechanical singing-bird tabatière
 singing-bird box, mechanical
 tabatière, mechanical singing-bird
 BT music box
 mechanical singing-bird tabatière
 USE mechanical singing-bird box
- medium voice**
 BT singer
 NT baritone voice
 mezzo-soprano voice
- megaphone**
 A device used to amplify other media in the performance of a musical work.
 BT wind instrument
 NT vamp-horn
- mellophone
 USE alto horn
- melodeon (button-key accordion)**
 BT button-key accordion
 melodeon (reed organ)
 USE reed organ
- melodica**
 A keyboard harmonica.
 UF scaletta
 BT harmonica
- melody flute**
 BT duct flute
 toy instrument
- melody instrument**
 An unspecified instrument on which more than one note can be played.
 BT instrument
- meloharp**
 BT zither
- membranophone**
 An unspecified instrument whose sound is produced via vibrations of a stretched membrane.
 BT instrument
 NT drum
 singing membrane
- mendjan
 USE mendzan
- mendzan**
 UF mendzang
 mendjan
 menjyang
 menzan
 BT xylophone
- mendzang
 USE mendzan
- menjyang
 USE mendzan
- men's chorus**
 A chorus of adult male voices.
 UF Männerchor
 BT chorus
- menzan
 USE mendzan
- meta-harp**
 BT plucked string instrument
 zither
- mey**
 UF nay (oboe)
 BT double reed instrument
- mezzo-soprano (singer)
 USE mezzo-soprano voice
- mezzo-soprano oboe
 USE oboe d'amore
- mezzo-soprano voice**
 UF mezzo-soprano (singer)
 BT female voice
 medium voice
- MIDI controller**
 BT electronic instrument
 NT keyboard controller
 wind controller
- MIDI-harpsichord
 USE electronic harpsichord
- military band
 USE band
- mime**
 UF mime artist
 BT performer
- mime artist
 USE mime
- mirdang
 USE mridanga
- mirliton**
 BT singing membrane
- mirutañkam
 USE mridanga
- miruthangam
 USE mridanga
- mišnice**
 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 multi-media
 multimedia
- BT ensemble
 performer
- mjersnice
 USE mišnice
- mobile phone
 USE cell phone
- mock trumpet
 USE chalumeau
- Mongolian zither
 USE yatga
- monochord**
 BT plucked string instrument
 zither
 NT crychord
- moon guitar
 USE yue qin
- moon lute
 USE yue qin
- morin huur**
 UF huur, morin
 khil-khuur
 ma t'ou ch'in
 matou qin
 matouqin
 BT bowed lute
- mōsō-biwa
 USE biwa
- mountain dulcimer
 USE Appalachian dulcimer
- mouseketier**
 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
 khæn
 lu sheng
 plung
 sheng
 shō
- mṛdang
 USE mridanga
- mṛdaṅga
 USE mridanga
- mṛdaṅgam
 USE mridanga
- mridanga**
 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
 mirdang
 mṛdang
 mṛdaṅga
 mṛdaṅgam
 mridangam
 mirutañkam
 miruthangam
 pakhāvaj
 pakhawaj
 BT drum
- mridangam
 USE mridanga
- mriqq
 USE riqq
- MRP (magnetic resonator piano)
 USE magnetic resonator piano
- mukha veena
 USE mukhavīṇā
- mukhavīṇā**
 UF mukha veena
 BT double reed instrument
- multi-media
 USE mixed media
- multimedia
 USE mixed media
- musette (bagpipe)
 USE bagpipe
- musette (oboe)**
 UF musette pipe
 BT oboe
- musette pipe
 USE musette (oboe)
- music 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

musical bow
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 music 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

musicsticks
USE clapsticks

nadasvaram
USE nāgasvaram

nadaswaram
USE nāgasvaram

nāgasuram
USE nāgasvaram

nāgasvaram
UF nadasvaram
nadaswaram
nāgasuram
nāgaswaram
nākasvaram
nāyanam
BT double reed instrument

nāgaswaram
USE nāgasvaram

nai
USE nāy (flute)
panpipes

nākasvaram
USE nāgasvaram

nallari
USE t'aep'yōngso

narrator
USE speaker

Native American flute
UF American Indian flute
love flute
Native American love flute
BT duct flute
NT šiyotanka

Native American love flute
USE Native American flute

natural horn
An unspecified valveless horn. For the orchestral valved or valveless French horn, use horn.
BT brass instrument
NT alphorn
bugle
didjeridu
kob

ligawka
lur
oliphant
post horn
Russian horn
shofar
túru (side-blown trumpet)

natural trumpet
USE trumpet

nāy (flute)
UF nai
ney
quşaba
BT ductless flute

nay (oboe)
USE mey

nāyanam
USE nāgasvaram

nāykhī
USE nāykhīm

nāykhīm
UF nāykhī
BT drum

new century harp
BT plucked string instrument
zither

ney
USE nāy (flute)

ngoma
UF engoma
goma
gomo
iṅgoma
ingomba
ngomba
ngomm
ngomo
BT drum
ngomba
USE ngoma
ngomm
USE ngoma
ngomo
USE ngoma
ngoze
USE algōjā

nickelodeon
USE orchestron

nishiki-biwa
USE biwa

nō-flute
USE nōkan

nō-kan
USE nōkan

noardske balke
USE noordsche balk

nohkan
USE nōkan

nōkan
UF nō-flute
nō-kan
nohkan
BT ductless flute

noordsche balk
Any of several types of zither played in the Low Countries.
UF hommle
humle
hummel
noardske balke
scheitholt
BT psaltery

Northumberland small pipes
USE Northumbrian small pipe

Northumbrian small pipe
UF Northumberland small pipes
Northumbrian small pipes
Northumbrian smallpipes
small pipe, Northumbrian
small pipes, Northumbrian
BT bagpipe

Northumbrian small pipes
USE Northumbrian small pipe

Northumbrian smallpipes
USE Northumbrian small pipe

nose flute
BT edge-blown instrument

notched rattle
UF bone rattle
rattle, bone
rattle, notched
BT indirectly struck idiophone

Novachord
UF electrical orchestra
Hammond Novachord
orchestra, electrical
BT electronic keyboard
electronic organ

nsansi
USE mbira

nun's fiddle
USE trumpet marine

nyckelgiga
USE keyed fiddle

nyckelharpa
USE keyed fiddle

oboe
BT double reed instrument
NT bass oboe
musette (oboe)
oboe da caccia
oboe d'amore
taille

oboe da caccia
BT oboe

oboe d'amore
UF mezzo-soprano oboe
BT oboe

oboe ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more oboes of any type, sometimes also including one or more English horns or other double reed instrument.
BT woodwind ensemble

ocarina
BT duct flute

octavist
USE basso profondo

oktavist
USE basso profondo

olifant
USE oliphant

oliphant
UF olifant
BT natural horn

ondes Martenot
UF Martenot
Martenot's ondes musicales
ondes musicales
ondium Martenot
BT electronic instrument

ondes musicales
USE ondes Martenot

ondium Martenot
USE ondes Martenot

ongnyugūm
BT plucked string instrument
zither

OOVE
BT string instrument

ophicleide
BT brass instrument

orator
USE speaker

orchestra
A large ensemble consisting of bowed string instruments and some combination of wind and other types of instruments, or such an ensemble whose relative size is not specified. For a small orchestra so specified, use chamber orchestra.
UF full orchestra
large orchestra
BT instrumental ensemble
NT chamber orchestra

orchestra, electrical
USE Novachord

orchestra bells
USE glockenspiel

orchestral bells
USE glockenspiel

orchestral chimes
USE tubular bells

orchestron
UF nickelodeon
BT mechanical instrument

organ
UF enharmonic organ
pipe organ
BT aerophone
keyboard instrument
NT bambuso sonoro
chamadron
chamber organ
electronic organ
mechanical organ

organ (*Continued*)
 portative
 positive organ
 pyrophone
 theater organ
 organ, cabinet
 USE reed organ
 organ, parlor
 USE reed organ
organ ensemble
 An ensemble consisting of two or more organs of any type.
 BT keyboard ensemble
organette
 BT player organ
 organetto
 USE portative
 organino
 USE portative
 organistrum
 USE hurdy-gurdy
orkon
 UF chromette
 BT recorder
orpharion
 BT plucked lute
orphéal
 An instrument combining aspects of the piano, organ, and harmonium.
 BT keyboard instrument
oud
 UF oude
 'ūd
 BT plucked lute
 oude
 USE oud
 oulér
 USE rouleur
 oulère
 USE rouleur
 ouleur
 USE rouleur
 pakhāvaj
 USE mridanga
 pakhawaj
 USE mridanga
 pan, soprano
 USE steel drum
 pan, steel
 USE steel drum
 pan flute
 USE panpipes
 pan pipes
 USE panpipes
 pandean pipes
 USE panpipes
 pandeiro
 USE tambourine
 pandora
 USE bandora
 pandore
 USE bandora
 pandur
 USE tambūrā (drone lute)
 panflute
 USE panpipes
panharmonicon
 BT mechanical instrument
panpipes
 UF antara
 nai
 pan flute
 pan pipes
 pandean pipes
 panflute
 pan's pipes
 BT ductless flute
 NT siku
panpipes ensemble
 An ensemble consisting of two or more sets of panpipes.
 BT woodwind ensemble
 pan's pipes
 USE panpipes
par
 A cylindrical drum that originated in Tamil Nadu, India.
 BT drum
 par-dessus de viole
 USE pardessus de viole
 paradon
 USE baryton

parai
 UF pirai
 BT frame drum
pardessus de viole
 UF descant viol
 high treble viol
 par-dessus de viole
 quinton
 BT viol
 paridon
 USE baryton
 pariton
 USE baryton
 parlor organ
 USE reed organ
 pastoral oboe
 USE pipe (musical instrument)
 pāvā
 USE algōjā
 pāwā
 USE algōjā
 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 chordsphone 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 pedal pianoforte
 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
 pejojogedan bumbung
 USE gamelan joged bumbung
pellitone
 BT tuba
penny whistle
 UF feadóg stáin
 pennywhistle
 tin 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
 handchime 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
 catá

celesta
 clapsticks
 cloud chamber bowls
 crotales
 cymbal
 dulcitone
 gong
 jaltarang
 kā'eke'eke
 kei
 kemanak
 khōng wong
 kulintang
 lithophone
 mallet instrument
 polopalo
 ranāt ēk
 ranāt thum
 sēmantron
 slit drum
 steel drum
 toy piano
 triangle
 tubaphone
 txalaparta
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 pīa
 pin piah
 BT stick zither
 phin pīa
 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
pī
 BT double reed instrument
pī pa
 UF Chinese lute
 pipa
 BT plucked lute
 pianette
 USE barrel piano
piano
 UF concert grand (piano)
 fortepiano
 grand piano
 pianoforte
 spinet (piano)
 spinnet (piano)
 upright piano
 BT keyboard instrument
 struck string instrument
 zither
 NT magnetic resonator piano

mechanical piano
 pedal piano
 prepared piano
 spinet
 square piano
 piano, toy
 USE toy piano
 piano accordion
 USE accordion
piano ensemble
 An ensemble consisting of two or more pianos, each of which has one or more performers.
 BT keyboard ensemble
piano-harp
 BT electronic instrument
 piano luthéal
 USE luthéal
 piano organ
 USE barrel piano
 piano-player
 USE player piano
 pianoforte
 USE piano
piccolo
 BT flute
piccolo trumpet
 BT trumpet
 pien chung
 USE bian zhong
 pillana grōvi
 USE veṇu
pin peat
 A Khmer classical court ensemble.
 UF bin bādy
 pinn peat
 pinpeat
 BT ensemble
 pin piah
 USE phin phia
 pincollo
 USE pinkullu
 pincullo
 USE pinkullu
 pincuyllu
 USE pinkullu
 pingullo
 USE pinkullu
 pinkayllu
 USE pinkullu
 pinkillu
 USE pinkullu
pinkullu
 An end-blown flute from the Andes region.
 UF pincollo
 pincullo
 pincuyllu
 pingullo
 pinkayllu
 pinkillu
 pinquillo
 BT duct flute
 pinn peat
 USE pin peat
 pinpeat
 USE pin peat
 pinquillo
 USE pinkullu
 pipa
 USE pi pa
pipe (musical instrument)
 An unspecified simple end-blown flute with or without finger holes.
 UF bamboo pipe
 chalumeau (pipe)
 pastoral oboe
 shepherd's pipe
 symphonet
 tabor pipe
 BT duct flute
 NT flaviol
 gaita (pipe)
 galoubet
pipe band
 An ensemble consisting of two or more bagpipes and various drums.
 UF bagpipe band
 BT instrumental ensemble
 pipe organ
 USE organ
 pipes, cauld wind
 USE border pipes

pipes, lowland
 USE border pipes
 pipes, Scottish lowland
 USE border pipes
pīphāt
 An instrumental ensemble of Thailand featuring the pī.
 UF sep nyai
 BT instrumental ensemble
 pirai
 USE parai
p'iri
 BT double reed instrument
 pitch-pipe
 USE pitchpipe
pitchpipe
 UF pitch-pipe
 BT free reed instrument
 pito
 USE dulzaina
player organ
 BT mechanical organ
 NT organette
player piano
 UF piano-player
 reproducing piano
 BT mechanical piano
 NT digital player piano
player piano ensemble
 An ensemble consisting of two or more player pianos.
 BT keyboard ensemble
 plectral instrument
 USE plucked instrument
 plucked dulcimer
 USE Appalachian dulcimer
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.
 UF plectral instrument
 BT instrument
 NT plucked idiophone
 plucked string instrument
plucked instrument ensemble
 An ensemble consisting of two or more plucked instruments of various types.
 UF plucked string ensemble
 BT instrumental ensemble
 NT balalaika ensemble
 guitar ensemble
 harp ensemble
 koto ensemble
 lute ensemble
 mandolin ensemble
 tambura (fretted lute) ensemble
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.
 BT plucked string instrument
 NT balalaika
 bandofin
 bandora
 bandurria
 banjo
 banjo ukulele
 biwa
 bouzouki
 calichon
 cavaquinho
 charango
 cigar box guitar
 cittern
 colascione
 cuatro
 dōmbra
 domra
 dutār
 English guitar
 guitar
 guitarra portuguesa
 guitarrón
 gunibī
 harp-lute guitar

kacapi (plucked lute)
 kobza
 komuz
 kopuz
 kudyapi
 lavta
 liu qin
 lute
 mandolin
 orpharion
 oud
 pi pa
 ruan
 rubāb
 sanshin
 sanxian
 sapeh
 sarod
 saz
 setār (Iranian instrument)
 shamisen
 shudraga
 sitar
 sung
 tambūrā (drone lute)
 tambura (fretted lute)
 tanbūr
 tar (lute)
 theorbo
 tiple
 tres
 ukulele
 vihuela
 viola d'arame
 viola-de-cocho
 yue qin
 plucked string ensemble
 USE plucked instrument ensemble
plucked string instrument
 An unspecified plucked string instrument. For an unspecified plucked instrument of any material see plucked instrument.
 UF plucked stringed instrument
 BT plucked instrument
 string instrument
 NT Appalachian dulcimer
 autoharp
 bandura
 čhakhē
 chipendani
 citaharp
 claviorgan
 đàn bầu
 diddley bow
 harmonic canon
 harp
 harp-piano
 harp zither
 harpola
 harpsichord
 ichigenkin
 kacapi (zither)
 kayagūm
 kōmun'go
 koto
 lute-harpsichord
 lyre
 marovany (box zither)
 meta-harp
 monochord
 new century harp
 ongnuyūm
 plucked lute
 psaltery
 qānūn
 qin
 siter
 stick zither
 tambi
 valiha
 vina
 virginal
 washtub bass
 yatga
 zheng
 zitho-harp
 plucked stringed instrument
 USE plucked string instrument
plung
 BT mouth organ

plung orchestra

An ensemble consisting of two or more plungs.

BT instrumental ensemble

pochette

UF kit

kytte

pocket fiddle

Taschengeige

treble violin

BT violin

pocket fiddle

USE pochette

podorhythm

USE foot tapping

poispil

USE bumbass

politiko laouto

USE lavta

polopalo

BT percussion idiophone

pommer

USE shawm

pong lang

USE kaw law

pong larng

USE kaw law

pöngläng

USE kaw law

Pontian lyra

USE kamänche

Pontic kemenche

USE kamänche

Pontic lyra

USE kamänche

portatif

USE portative

portatif organ

USE portative

portativ

USE portative

portativ organ

USE portative

portative

A small organ of treble flue pipes carried by a strap over the player's shoulder.

UF organetto

organino

portatif

portatif organ

portativ

portativ organ

portative organ

BT organ

portative organ

USE portative

Portuguese guitar

USE guitarra portuguesa

Portuguese viola

USE viola d'arame

positive

USE positive organ

positive organ

A movable organ.

UF positive

table organ

BT organ

post horn

UF coach-horn

posthorn

BT natural horn

posthorn

USE post horn

practice chanter

BT double reed instrument

pre-recorded audio

Sounds generated, captured, or manipulated in advance and later played back as part of the performance of a musical work.

UF tape (electronics)

recorded audio

recorded sound

BT electronics

prepared piano

A piano that has been altered by placing objects on and/or between the strings.

BT piano

NT luthéal

prepared violin

A violin that has been altered by attaching wire or objects on and/or between the strings.

BT violin

preset rhythm machine

USE drum machine

primer clarinet

USE clarinet

processed sound

BT electronics

provençal, tambourin

USE tambourin

Provence, tambourin de

USE tambourin

psalmodicon

USE psalmodikon

psalmodikon

UF psalmodicon

salmodikon

BT bowed string instrument

zither

psaltery

An unspecified neckless zither.

UF ala

salterio

BT plucked string instrument

zither

NT Baltic psaltery

epinette des Vosges

gusli

langeleik

noordsche balk

püita

USE cuica

pullänkölal

USE veņu

pullankuzhal

USE veņu

pung

BT drum

pyrophone

UF calliope, explosion

calliope, fire

chemical harmonica

explosion calliope

explosion organ

fire calliope

fire organ

flame organ

harmonica, chemical

BT organ

qānūn

UF k'anon

kanonaki

kanoon

kanun

BT plucked string instrument

zither

qawūl

USE kaval

qin

UF ch'in

guqin

BT plucked string instrument

zither

qobuz

UF kiak

kobuz

kobyz

kyyak

qobyz

BT bowed lute

qobyz

USE qobuz

qopuz

USE kopuz

quadrachord

BT string instrument

qudi

UF kundi

BT di zi

quena

UF cuena

kena

kena-kena

quena-quena

BT ductless flute

quena-quena

USE quena

querequexé

USE reco-reco

quica

USE cuica

quijada

USE jawbone

quijada de burro

USE jawbone

quinto (drum)

BT conga

quinton

USE pardessus de viole

quiringua

USE teponaztli

qupuz

USE kopuz

qurai

USE kurai

quşaba

USE nāy (flute)

rabāb (lute)

USE rubāb

rabāb (spike fiddle)

Any of the various spike fiddles common in North Africa, the Middle East, and other parts of Asia.

UF rabāba (spike fiddle)

rabābah (spike fiddle)

rebab (spike fiddle)

ribāb (spike fiddle)

spike fiddle

BT bowed lute

rabāba (imzad)

USE imzad

rabāba (spike fiddle)

USE rabāb (spike fiddle)

rabābah (lute)

USE rubāb

rabābah (spike fiddle)

USE rabāb (spike fiddle)

rabeca

UF rebeca

BT bowed lute

rabob

USE rubāb

racket

UF cervelas

cervelat

cortaldi

cortalli

rackett

rankett

BT double reed instrument

rackett

USE racket

radio receiver

BT electronic instrument

ralladera

USE guiro

ram's horn

USE shofar

rana-t ay-k

USE ranāt ēk

rānaāt eēk

USE ranāt ēk

ranāt aek

USE ranāt ēk

ranāt dham

USE ranāt thum

ranāt ēk

UF rana-t ay-k

rānaāt eēk

ranāt aek

roneat ek

BT percussion idiophone

ranāt thum

UF ranāt dham

BT percussion idiophone

rankett

USE racket

rapping, head

USE head rapping

rascador

USE guiro

raspador

USE reco-reco

rattle

BT indirectly struck idiophone

NT baby rattle

sistrum

rattle, bone

USE notched rattle

rattle, notched

USE notched rattle

ravann

USE ravanne

ravanne

UF ravann

BT frame drum

rbab
 USE rubāb
 reader
 USE speaker
 rebab (lute)
 USE rubāb
 rebab (spike fiddle)
 USE rabāb (spike fiddle)
rebana
 UF rebano
 BT drum
 rebano
 USE rebana
rebec
 A European bowed lute, normally with a vaulted back and tapering outline.
 UF rebeck
 rebecke
 rebekke
 BT bowed lute
 rebeca
 USE rabeca
 rebeck
 USE rebec
 rebecke
 USE rebec
 rebekke
 USE rebec
reco-reco
 UF canzá
 caracaxá
 casaca
 catacá
 ganzá
 querequexé
 raspador
 reque-reque
 BT indirectly struck idiophone
 recorded audio
 USE pre-recorded audio
 recorded sound
 USE pre-recorded audio
recorder
 UF basset recorder
 beak flute
 Blockflöte
 common flute
 English flute
 flauto dolce
 subcontrabass recorder
 BT duct flute
 NT alto recorder
 bass recorder
 contrabass recorder
 csakan
 great bass recorder
 orkon
 sopranino recorder
 soprano recorder
 tenor recorder
 tonette
 tussefløyte
 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 lute popular in Europe from the 15th-17th centuries that has five to twelve courses, the upper courses tuned primarily in fourths.
 BT lute
repinque
 An Afro-Brazilian medium-sized single-headed drum, sometimes used in pairs.
 UF repique
 BT drum
 repique
 USE repinque

reproducing piano
 USE player piano
 reque-reque
 USE reco-reco
resonator guitar
 UF dobro
 resophonic guitar
 BT guitar
 resophonic guitar
 USE resonator guitar
 rgya gliñ
 USE rgya-gling
rgya-gling
 UF rgya gliñ
 BT double reed instrument
 rhythm machine
 USE drum machine
 ribāb (lute)
 USE rubāb
 ribāb (spike fiddle)
 USE rabāb (spike fiddle)
 rik
 USE riqq
 rikk
 USE riqq
 rin gong
 USE singing bowl
 rindik
 USE tingklik
 riq
 USE riqq
riqq
 A small Arabic circular frame drum with jingles.
 UF doff al-zinjāri
 mriqq
 rik
 rikk
 riq
 BT tambourine
 robāb
 USE rubāb
 rohbab
 USE rubāb
 roneat ek
 USE ranāt êk
roopill
 BT single reed instrument
 roulèr
 USE rouleur
rouleur
 UF houleur
 oulèr
 oulère
 ouleur
 roulèr
 BT drum
 royal Kent bugle
 USE keyed bugle
ruan
 UF chung juan
 daruan
 zhongruan
 BT plucked lute
rubāb
 UF Afghan lute
 rabāb (lute)
 rabābah (lute)
 rabob
 rbab
 rebab (lute)
 ribāb (lute)
 robāb
 rohbab
 rubaub
 rubob
 BT plucked lute
 NT imzad
 rubaub
 USE rubāb
 rubob
 USE rubāb
 rudra veena
 USE vina
 rudra viṇā
 USE vina
Russian horn
 BT natural horn
ryūteki
 BT ductless flute
 sà lāv
 USE salō

sackbut
 A brass instrument operated using a telescopic slide that was generally used in the 15th-18th centuries.
 UF sagbut
 shagbut
 shakbush
 BT trombone
 saenap
 USE t'aep'yōngso
 sagbut
 USE sackbut
šahnāi
 UF sanāi
 sānāyi
 shahnāi
 shanai
 shehnai
 surnai
 BT double reed instrument
 saitār
 USE setār (Iranian instrument)
 salmodikon
 USE psalmodikon
salō
 A Thai two-string spike fiddle with a separate bow and coconut shell resonator.
 UF sà lāv
 BT bowed lute
 salterio
 USE dulcimer
 psaltery
saluang
 An Indonesian open end-blown bamboo flute.
 BT ductless flute
 sambe
 USE sapeh
sambuca lineoa
 An enharmonic harpsichord.
 UF pentacotchordon
 BT harpsichord
 samisen
 USE shamisen
 sampeh
 USE sapeh
 sampeq
 USE sapeh
 sampi'
 USE sapeh
sampler
 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
 sanāi
 USE šahnāi
 sānāyi
 USE šahnāi
 sandza
 USE mbira
 sangen
 USE shamisen
 šanja
 USE shudraga
 sansa
 USE mbira
sanshin
 A Japanese three-stringed lute.
 UF jabisen
 jamisen
 BT plucked lute
 sansi
 USE mbira
 santir
 USE santūr
 santoor
 USE santūr
santūr
 A trapezoidal dulcimer of Asia and the Balkans.
 UF santir
 santoor
 sintir (dulcimer)
 BT dulcimer
sanxian
 A Chinese long-necked lute.
 UF hsien tse

- sanxian** (*Continued*)
 xian ze
 xianzi
 BT plucked lute
- sáo**
 A Vietnamese transverse bamboo flute.
 BT ductless flute
- sape
 USE sapeh
- sapeh**
 An Indonesian plucked lute.
 UF sambe
 sampeh
 sampeq
 sampi'
 sape
 sapi
 BT plucked lute
- sapi
 USE sapeh
- sāran.gī
 USE sāraṅgī
- sāraṅgī**
 A South Asian short-necked fiddle.
 UF sāran.gī
 BT bowed lute
- sārindā**
 A South Asian bowed lute.
 BT bowed lute
- sarod**
 A South Asian short fretless plucked lute.
 BT plucked lute
- sarrusophone**
 A brass instrument played with a double reed.
 BT double reed instrument
- satāra
 USE algōjā
- satsuma-biwa
 USE biwa
- saṅg-gauk**
 A Burmese arched harp.
 UF Burmese harp
 coŋ''
 coŋ'' kok'
 tsaung
 BT harp
- saw, musical
 USE musical saw
- saw, singing
 USE musical saw
- saw dūa-ng
 USE sō dūang
- saw-sā-m sāi
 USE sō sām sāi
- saw ū
 USE sō ū
- sax horn
 USE saxhorn
- saxhorn**
 UF sax horn
 BT brass instrument
 NT alto horn
 baritone horn
- saxoflute**
 A toy wind instrument consisting of 15 pieces that can be connected in various ways.
 BT duct flute
 toy instrument
- saxophone**
 UF subcontrabass saxophone
 BT single reed instrument
 NT alto saxophone
 baritone saxophone
 bass saxophone
 contrabass saxophone
 soprano saxophone
 soprano saxophone
 tenor saxophone
- saxophone choir
 USE saxophone ensemble
- saxophone ensemble**
 An ensemble consisting of two or more saxophones of any type.
 UF saxophone choir
 BT woodwind ensemble
- saz**
 A long-necked fretted lute.
 BT plucked lute
 NT baḡlama
- scaletta
 USE melodica
- scalmuse
 USE shawm
- schalmei
 USE shawm
- schalmuse
 USE shawm
- scheitholt
 USE noordsche balk
- Schlüsselfidel
 USE keyed fiddle
- Schlüsselfiedel
 USE keyed fiddle
- Scottish harp
 USE Irish harp
- Scottish lowland bagpipes
 USE border pipes
- Scottish lowland pipes
 USE border pipes
- sehtār
 USE setār (Iranian instrument)
- sekere
 USE cabaca
- sēmandron
 USE sēmantron
- sēmantēr
 USE sēmantron
- sēmantērion
 USE sēmantron
- sēmanthron
 USE sēmantron
- sēmantron**
 A wooden percussion board struck with a hammer and used as a call to prayer.
 UF sēmandron
 sēmantēr
 sēmantērion
 sēmanthron
 simandron
 BT percussion idiophone
- semar pagulingan
 USE gamelan semar pegulingan
- semar pegulingan
 USE gamelan semar pegulingan
- semsemiya
 USE simsimīyya
- semsemiyya
 USE simsimīyya
- sep nyai
 USE pīphāt
- sequencer**
 An electronic device that creates repeatable sequences of sound.
 BT electronic instrument
- serng
 USE sūng
- serpent**
 BT brass instrument
- setā
 USE setār (Iranian instrument)
- setār (Iranian instrument)**
 An Iranian four-stringed plucked long-necked lute.
 UF saitār
 sehtār
 setā
 setór
 sihtār
 BT plucked lute
- setar (sitar)
 USE sitar
- setór
 USE setār (Iranian instrument)
- seyo go
 USE changgo
- shagbut
 USE sackbut
- shahnāi
 USE šahnāi
- shakbush
 USE sackbut
- shakuhachi**
 A Japanese end-blown bamboo flute.
 UF syakuhati
 BT ductless flute
- shalm
 USE shawm
- shalme
 USE shawm
- shalmie
 USE shawm
- shalmuse
 USE shawm
- shamisen**
 A Japanese three-stringed fretless plucked lute.
 UF samisen
 sangen
 BT plucked lute
- shanai
 USE šahnāi
- shandz
 USE shudraga
- shandze
 USE shudraga
- shank bone
 USE tibia
- shanz
 USE shudraga
- shawm**
 UF bombarde (shawm)
 chalmeye
 chalmie
 chalumeau (shawm)
 pommer
 scalmuse
 schalmei
 schalmuse
 shalm
 shalme
 shalmie
 shalmuse
 BT double reed instrument
- shehnai
 USE šahnāi
- shekeré
 USE cabaca
- sheng**
 BT mouth organ
- shepherd's pipe
 USE pipe (musical instrument)
- shidurgu
 USE shudraga
- shin bone
 USE tibia
- shinbone
 USE tibia
- shino
 USE shinobue
- shinobue**
 A Japanese transverse bamboo flute.
 UF shino
 takebue
 BT ductless flute
- shō**
 BT mouth organ
- shofar**
 UF ram's horn
 BT natural horn
- showground organ
 USE fairground organ
- shudraga**
 UF šanja
 shandz
 shandze
 shanz
 shidurgu
 šhuduḡu
 BT plucked lute
- šhuduḡu
 USE shudraga
- sico
 USE siku
- sicu
 USE siku
- side drum
 USE snare drum
- signer**
 A performer who uses sign language.
 BT performer
- sihtār
 USE setār (Iranian instrument)
- siku**
 UF sico
 sicu
 zampoña
 BT panpipes
- simandron
 USE sēmantron
- simple chordophone
 USE zither
- simsimijah
 USE simsimīyya
- simsimiyah
 USE simsimīyya

simsimīyya

An Arabian bowl or box lyre.

UF semsemiyya
semsemiyya
simsimijah
simsimīyah
sumsumīyya

BT lyre

singer

A performer who uses his or her voice to produce musical tone. For an unspecified vocalized part see voice.

UF vocalist
BT voice
NT child's voice
female voice
high voice
lead singer
low voice
male voice
medium voice

singing-bird box, mechanical

USE mechanical singing-bird box

singing bowl

A Himalayan metal bowl that is generally struck or rubbed with a padded mallet.

UF bowl, Himalayan
bowl, singing
gong, rin
gong, suzu
Himalayan bowl
rin gong
suzu gong
Tibetan singing bowl

BT bell
friction idiophone

singing membrane

A membrane made to vibrate by speaking or singing into it.

BT membranophone
NT kazoo
mirliton

singing saw

USE musical saw

singing trumpet

USE vamp-horn

single reed instrument

An unspecified single reed instrument.

BT reed instrument
NT bālabān (single reed instrument)
birbyné
chalumeau
çifte
clarinet
launeddas
roopill
saxophone
tārogatō

sintir

USE gunibrī

sintir (dulcimer)

USE santūr

sipsi

USE çifte

sistro

A series of small mushroom-shaped bells mounted in a frame on a handle.

UF timpano musicale
BT bell

sistrum

BT rattle

sitar

UF citara
setar (sitar)
BT plucked lute
NT surbahar

siter

BT plucked string instrument
zither

šiyotanka

BT Native American flute

skrzypce

UF diabelskie skrzypce
devil's fiddle
devil's violin
diable skrzype
fiddle, devil's

BT violin

slide trombone

USE trombone

slide trumpet

USE trumpet

slide whistle

UF swanee whistle
swannee whistle
BT duct flute

slit drum

A hollowed-out piece of wood with one or more slits.

BT percussion idiophone
NT teponaztli
wood block

small pipe, Northumbrian

USE Northumbrian small pipe

small pipes, Northumbrian

USE Northumbrian small pipe

snare drum

UF caixa
side drum
BT drum
NT surdo
tabor
tamboril
tambourin

sō dūang

A two-stringed Thai bowed lute.

UF saw dūa-ng
BT bowed lute

so la

USE suo na

sō sām sâi

A three-stringed Thai spike fiddle.

UF saw-sā-m sâi
BT bowed lute

sō ū

UF saw ū
BT bowed lute

soft sampler

USE software sampler

software sampler

UF music sampler software
sampler software
soft sampler

BT sampler

sōlchanggo

USE changgo

solo vocal ensemble

An ensemble consisting of solo voices. For an ensemble consisting of two or more unspecified voices see vocal ensemble.

BT vocal ensemble

solor

USE bānsuñi

sona

USE suo na

song bell

USE xylophone

song flute

USE tonette

sonus de canna

USE launeddas

sopranino clarinet

A sopranino member of the clarinet family that is associated with Western art music and is pitched in E^b or D.

UF D clarinet (sopranino)
E^b clarinet (sopranino)
E-flat clarinet (sopranino)
high E^bclarinet
high E-flat clarinet
BT clarinet

sopranino recorder

BT recorder

sopranino saxophone

BT saxophone
soprano, boy (singer)
USE boy soprano voice
soprano, child (singer)
USE child soprano voice
soprano (singer)
USE soprano voice
soprano clarinet
USE clarinet
soprano pan
USE steel drum

soprano recorder

UF descant recorder
BT recorder

soprano saxophone

BT saxophone

soprano voice

UF soprano (singer)
BT female voice
high voice

sordellina

UF surdellina
BT bagpipe

sorna

USE zūrnā

sornai

USE zūrnā

sound effects

Sounds and noises, primarily percussive that are often produced by noise-making objects not normally regarded as musical instruments.

BT percussion instrument

sound sampler

USE sampler

sound synthesizer

USE synthesizer

sousaphone

BT tuba

Spanish guitar

USE guitar

speaker

A performer who uses a speaking, rather than a singing, voice.

UF narrator
orator
reader

BT voice

spike fiddle

USE rabāb (spike fiddle)

spinet

BT piano

spinet (harpsichord)

USE harpsichord

spinet (piano)

USE piano

spinnet (piano)

USE piano

spoils of war (musical instrument)

BT percussion instrument

spoken chorus

An ensemble of performers who use a speaking voice rather than a singing voice.

BT chorus

square piano

UF square pianoforte

BT piano

square pianoforte

USE square piano

squashbox

USE concertina

squeezebox

USE button-key accordion

staccato-pastorella

USE sticcado pastorale

stage band

USE big band

stand-up bass

USE double bass

steel band

An ensemble consisting of steel drums and rhythm instruments.

UF steel orchestra
steelband
tinpanny
BT percussion ensemble

steel drum

UF bass pan
drum, steel
pan, soprano
pan, steel
soprano pan
steel pan
tenor pan
BT percussion idiophone

steel guitar

UF Hawaiian guitar
Hawaiian steel guitar
kīkā kīla
BT guitar
NT pedal steel guitar

steel orchestra

USE steel band

steel pan

USE steel drum

steelband

USE steel band

sticcado

USE sticcado pastorale

sticcado pastorale

UF staccato-pastorella
sticcado

sticcado pastorale (*Continued*)

sticcado-pastrole
 BT mallet instrument
 sticcado-pastrole
 USE sticcado pastorale

stick zither

A chordophone consisting of a stick bearing a string.
 BT plucked string instrument
 zither
 NT bumbass
 phin phia

stone flute

USE iwabue

stone whistle

USE iwabue

straw fiddle

USE xylophone

street organ

USE barrel organ

street piano

USE barrel piano

string band

An ensemble consisting largely or wholly of string instruments and often associated with jazz music.

BT instrumental ensemble

string bass

USE double bass

string ensemble

USE bowed string ensemble

string instrument

An unspecified string instrument. For an unspecified string instrument played with a bow see bowed string instrument.

UF chordophone
 stringed instrument

BT instrument

NT bowed string instrument

harp-lute
 OOVE
 plucked string instrument
 quadrachord
 struck string instrument
 zither

string instrument ensemble

USE bowed string ensemble

string keyboard instrument

USE keyboard instrument

string orchestra

An orchestra consisting solely or primarily of string instruments.

BT instrumental ensemble

stringed instrument

USE string instrument

stringed instrument ensemble

USE bowed string ensemble

stringed keyboard instrument

USE keyboard instrument

strings

USE bowed string ensemble

struck idiophone

BT idiophone

percussion instrument

NT concussion idiophone

indirectly struck idiophone

musical saw

percussion idiophone

struck string instrument

BT percussion instrument

string instrument

NT berimbau

clavichord

dulcimer

piano

tangent piano

stviri

USE chiboni

su-na

USE suo na

subcontrabass flute

A flute in G, pitched two octaves below the alto flute and two and a half octaves below the concert flute.

UF double contra-alto flute

BT flute

subcontrabass recorder

USE recorder

subcontrabass saxophone

USE saxophone

sulfukin

BT edge-blown instrument

suling

BT duct flute

sumsumiyya

USE simsimiyya

sung

UF serng

BT plucked lute

suo na

UF chi na

hiang te

la pa

so la

sona

su-na

suona

ta ti

wa wa erh

wu li wa

BT double reed instrument

suona

USE suo na

šupeljka

UF šupelka

BT ductless flute

šupelka

USE šupeljka

surbahar

BT sitar

surdellina

USE sordellina

surdo

UF caixa-surda

BT snare drum

surlä

USE zürnä

surle

USE zürnä

surna

USE zürnä

surnai

USE šahnāi

zürnä

surrogate kithara

BT lyre

suzu gong

USE singing bowl

sviraja

USE svirala

svirala

UF duduk (duct flute)

frula

jedina

jedinka

jednojka

sviraja

svirale

žvegljica

BT duct flute

svirale

USE svirala

swaenap

USE t'aep'yöngso

swanee whistle

USE slide whistle

swanee whistle

USE slide whistle

syakuhati

USE shakuhachi

sybysghy

USE sybyzghy

sybysgy

USE sybyzghy

sybyzghy

A Kazakh or Kyrgyz side- or end-blown flute made from wood, reed, or metal.

UF sybysghy

sybysgy

sybyzgy

sybyzyk

BT ductless flute

sybyzgy

USE sybyzghy

sybyzyk

USE sybyzghy

symphonet

USE pipe (musical instrument)

symphonic band

USE band

symphonic wind ensemble

USE band

symphonic winds

USE band

synth

USE synthesizer

synthesiser

USE synthesizer

synthesizer

An electronic instrument capable of producing sounds by generating electrical signals of different frequencies.

UF music synthesizer

musical synthesizer

sound synthesizer

synth

synthesiser

BT electronic instrument

NT electronic keyboard

ta ti

USE suo na

taar

USE tar (lute)

tabala

USE tabla

tabatière, mechanical singing-bird

USE mechanical singing-bird box

tabla

A pair of small, tuned, hand-played drums from South Asia.

UF tabala

BT drum

table organ

USE positive organ

tabor

BT snare drum

tabor pipe

USE pipe (musical instrument)

tabour

USE tambourin

tabourin

USE tambourin

t'aep'yöngso

UF hojök

nallari

saenap

swaenap

BT double reed instrument

taiko

BT drum

taiko (drum ensemble)

An ensemble consisting mainly of indigenous Japanese percussion instruments.

BT percussion ensemble

taille

UF taille de hautbois

taille d'hautbois

tenor oboe

BT oboe

taille de hautbois

USE taille

taille d'hautbois

USE taille

takebue

USE shinobue

talempong

BT instrumental ensemble

Talerrollen

USE Talerschwingen

Talerschwingen

UF Talerrollen

BT indirectly struck idiophone

talharpa

BT bowed string instrument

lyre

talking drum

UF dündün

gángán

BT hourglass drum

tam-tam

A large flat gong of indefinite pitch.

UF tamtam

BT gong

tambal

BT dulcimer

tambi

BT plucked string instrument

zither

tambor

USE atabaque

tamboril

BT snare drum

tamborim

BT frame drum

tambou

A French Caribbean drum formed from a hollowed

out tree trunk covered in animal skin.
 BT drum
tamboura
 USE tambūrā (drone lute)
tambourin
 A double-headed snare drum from Provence. For the single-headed frame drum, usually with jingles hanging loosely from openings in the shell, see tambourine.
 UF Provence, tambourin de provençal, tambourin tabour tabourin tambourin de Provence tambourin provençal
 BT snare drum
 tambourin de Provence
 USE tambourin
 tambourin provençal
 USE tambourin
tambourine
 A small single-headed frame drum, usually with jingles hanging loosely from openings in the shell. For the double-headed snare drum from Provence see tambourin.
 UF adufo basque, tambour de pandeiro tambur de basque
 BT frame drum indirectly struck idiophone
 NT riqq
 tambouritza
 USE tambura (fretted lute)
 †ambūr
 USE †anbūr
 tambur de basque
 USE tambourine
tambūrā (drone lute)
 A South Asian long-necked plucked drone lute.
 UF pandur tamboura tambūrī tampūrī tanpūrā
 BT plucked lute
tambura (fretted lute)
 A Balkan long-necked lute.
 UF tambouritza tamburica tamburitza
 BT plucked lute
tambura (fretted lute) ensemble
 An ensemble consisting of two or more tamburas.
 BT plucked instrument ensemble
 tambūrī
 USE tambūrā (drone lute)
 tamburica
 USE tambura (fretted lute)
 tamburitza
 USE tambura (fretted lute)
 tampūrī
 USE tambūrā (drone lute)
 tamtam
 USE tam-tam
 tamukku
 USE tāshā
 tanboor
 USE †anbūr
 †anbūr
 UF †ambūr tanboor tanbura (lute)
 BT plucked lute
 tanbura (lute)
 USE †anbūr
tangent piano
 A keyboard instrument whose strings are struck by slips of wood that resemble harpsichord jacks.
 BT keyboard instrument struck string instrument zither
 tanpūrā
 USE tambūrā (drone lute)
tanso
 BT ductless flute
tap bell
 UF call bell desk bell
 BT bell
 tap box
 USE wood block

tap dancer
 A performer who tap dances as part of a musical composition.
 BT dancer
 tape (electronics)
 USE electronics pre-recorded audio
 tapping, foot
 USE foot tapping
tar (drum)
 BT frame drum
tar (lute)
 UF taar
 BT plucked lute
 tar pinkayllu
 USE tarka
 taragot
 USE tárogató
 tarakava
 USE tárogató
 tarca
 USE tarka
tarka
 A wooden duct flute of the Andes.
 UF anata tar pinkayllu tarca tharka
 BT duct flute
 taro patch fiddle
 USE ukulele
tárogató
 UF taragot tarakava torogotá
 BT single reed instrument
 taropatch
 USE ukulele
 tarsa
 USE tāshā
 tarshā
 USE tāshā
 †asa
 USE tāshā
 Taschengeige
 USE pochette
tāshā
 UF tamukku tarsa tarshā †asa
 BT drum
tavil
 UF dhavul thavil
 BT drum
television set
 BT electronic instrument
telharmonium
 UF dynaphone
 BT electronic instrument keyboard instrument
 temple drum
 USE yaogu
 tenor (singer)
 USE tenor voice
 tenor bassoon
 USE tenoroon
 tenor horn
 USE alto horn
 tenor oboe
 USE English horn
 taille
 tenor pan
 USE steel drum
tenor recorder
 BT recorder
tenor saxophone
 BT saxophone
 tenor trombone
 USE trombone
tenor viol
 BT viol
tenor violin
 BT bowed lute
tenor voice
 UF tenor (singer)
 BT high voice male voice
tenora
 BT double reed instrument

tenoroon
 UF fagottino tenor bassoon
 BT bassoon
 téorbe
 USE theorbo
 tepenahuasqui
 USE teponaztli
 teponagua
 USE teponaztli
 teponahuaztli
 USE teponaztli
 teponaxtle
 USE teponaztli
teponaztli
 UF quiringua tepenahuasqui teponagua teponahuaztli teponaxtle tinco tun-kul
 BT slit drum
 termenvoks
 USE theremin
 †goerra
 USE gora
 †gorrah
 USE gora
 tharka
 USE tarka
 thavil
 USE tavil
theater organ
 An organ developed to provide background music for silent films.
 UF cinema organ theatre organ
 BT organ
 theatre organ
 USE theater organ
 theorb
 USE theorbo
 théorbe
 USE theorbo
theorbo
 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 chitarrone téorbe theorb théorbe tiorba tuorba tuorbe
 BT plucked lute
 theorbo-harpsichord
 USE lute-harpsichord
theremin
 UF aetherphon termenvoks thereminvox
 BT electronic instrument
 thereminvox
 USE theremin
 thoroughbass
 USE continuo
 through bass
 USE continuo
 thumb piano
 USE mbira
 ti-tse
 USE di zi
 Tibetan singing bowl
 USE singing bowl
tibia
 UF shank bone shin bone shinbone
 BT woodwind instrument
timbales criollos
 BT drum
timpani
 UF kettledrum kettledrums timpanum tympani
 BT drum
 timpano musicale
 USE sistro

timpanum
 USE timpani
 timple
 USE tiple
tin can
 BT percussion instrument
 tin whistle
 USE penny whistle
 tinco
 USE teponaztli
tingklik
 UF rindik
 BT xylophone
 tinpanny
 USE steel band
 tiorba
 USE theorbo
tiple
 UF guitarillo
 timple
 BT plucked lute
tlapitzalli
 BT duct flute
 toba
 USE tupan
tom-tom
 UF Chinese tom-tom
 BT drum
 tombak
 USE zarb
 tommy talker
 USE kazoo
tonette
 UF song flute
 BT recorder
 topan
 USE tupan
 torogoatã
 USE tárogató
 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
toy piano
 UF piano, toy
 BT keyboard instrument
 percussion idiophone
 toy instrument
 toy symphony
 USE toy orchestra
 t'pan
 USE tupan
 transverse flute
 USE flute
 trap kit
 USE drum set
 trap set
 USE drum set
 traps
 USE drum set
trautonium
 BT electronic instrument
treble viol
 BT viol
 treble violin
 USE pochette
 treble voice
 USE boy soprano voice
tres
 BT plucked lute
triangle
 BT percussion idiophone
 triédáda
 USE launeddas
 tromba marina
 USE trumpet marine

trombone
 UF slide trombone
 tenor trombone
 valve trombone
 BT brass instrument
 NT alto trombone
 bass trombone
 contrabass trombone
 sackbut
 trombone choir
 USE trombone ensemble
trombone ensemble
 An ensemble consisting of two or more trombones.
 UF trombone choir
 BT brass ensemble
 truédáda
 USE launeddas
 trump
 USE Jew's harp
trumpet
 UF natural trumpet
 slide trumpet
 valve trumpet
 BT brass instrument
 NT bass trumpet
 keyed trumpet
 piccolo trumpet
 trumpet, mock
 USE chalumeau
 trumpet, singing
 USE vamp-horn
 trumpet choir
 USE trumpet ensemble
trumpet ensemble
 An ensemble consisting of two or more trumpets.
 UF trumpet choir
 BT brass ensemble
trumpet marine
 UF fiddle, nun's
 marine trumpet
 nun's fiddle
 tromba marina
 BT bowed lute
 truvéddáda
 USE launeddas
 tsaung
 USE saüng-gauk
 tshipendani
 USE chipendani
 tsigulka
 USE güdulka
 tsymbaly
 USE cimbalom
tuba
 UF bass horn
 bass tuba
 BB^b tuba
 B^b tuba
 bombardon
 C[′] tuba
 CC tuba
 contrabass tuba
 double B-flat tuba
 double C tuba
 BT brass instrument
 NT helicon
 pelittone
 sousaphone
tuba ensemble
 An ensemble consisting of two or more tubas.
 BT brass ensemble
 tuba stentoro-phonica
 USE vamp-horn
tubaphone
 UF tubaphone
 BT percussion idiophone
tube zither
 BT zither
 NT čhakhê
 valiha
tubular bells
 UF chimes, orchestral
 orchestral chimes
 BT bell
 tubaphone
 USE tubaphone
 tulum
 USE chiboni
 tulumi
 USE chiboni
tumba
 BT drum

tumbadora
 USE conga
 tun-kul
 USE teponaztli
 tûnbak
 USE zarb
 tuning fork piano
 USE dulcitone
 tuorba
 USE theorbo
 tuorbe
 USE theorbo
tupan
 UF daul
 goç
 toba
 topan
 t'pan
 BT drum
 turntable, phonograph
 USE phonograph turntable
 turntable system (phonograph)
 USE phonograph turntable
túru (side-blown trumpet)
 BT natural horn
 tusse fløyte
 USE tussefløyte
tussefløyte
 UF tusse fløyte
 BT recorder
txalaparta
 BT percussion idiophone
 txistu
 USE galoubet
 tympani
 USE timpani
 'üd
 USE oud
 uileann pipe
 USE uilleann pipe
 uileann pipe
 USE uilleann pipe
uilleann pipe
 UF Irish organ
 uileann pipe
 uileann pipe
 BT bagpipe
 uke
 USE ukulele
 ukelele
 USE ukulele
ukulele
 UF taro patch fiddle
 taropatch
 uke
 ukelele
 yukelele
 BT plucked lute
 ukulele banjo
 USE banjo ukulele
unison chorus
 BT chorus
 unspecified instrument
 USE instrument
 upright bass
 USE double bass
 upright piano
 USE piano
 urucungu
 USE berimbau
 valeha
 USE valiha
valiha
 UF baliha
 marovany (tube zither)
 valeha
 valiha-vo
 volo
 BT plucked string instrument
 tube zither
 valiha-vo
 USE valiha
 valve trombone
 USE trombone
 valve trumpet
 USE trumpet
vamp-horn
 UF singing trumpet
 trumpet, singing
 tuba stentoro-phonica
 vamping-horn
 BT megaphone

vamping-horn
USE vamp-horn

veena
USE vina

veene
USE vina

veṇu
A ductless flute used in Carnatic music.
UF kūḷalu
pillana grōvi
pullānkulal
pullankuzhal
vēṇuvu
BT ductless flute

vēṇuvu
USE veṇu

verrophon
USE verrophone

verrophone
UF glasses, musical
musical glasses
verrophon
BT friction idiophone

veuze
BT bagpipe

vibraharp
USE vibraphone

vibraphone
UF vibraharp
BT mallet instrument

vichitra vina
USE vicitra vina

vicitra vina
UF vichitra vina
BT vina

vielle
USE hurdy-gurdy

vielle à roue
USE hurdy-gurdy

vihuela
UF vihuela comun
vihuela de mano
BT plucked lute

vihuela comun
USE vihuela

vihuela de mano
USE vihuela

vina
UF bīṇ
bīṇā
rudra veena
rudra vīṇā
veena
veene
vīṇai
vīṇe
BT plucked string instrument
zither
NT gottuvadyam
vicitra vina

vīṇai
USE vina

vīṇe
USE vina

viol
An unspecified instrument from the family of fretted, bowed string instruments in use from the 16th-18th centuries.
UF gamba (family of viols)
viola da gamba (family of viols)
BT bowed lute
NT lyra viol
pardessus de viole
tenor viol
treble viol
viola da gamba
viola d'amore
violone

viol, bass
USE viola da gamba

viola
BT bowed lute
NT viola pomposa

viola bastarda
USE lyra viol

viola braguesa
USE viola d'arame

viola choir
USE viola ensemble

viola chuleira
USE viola d'arame

viola da braccio
UF braccio, viola da
BT bowed string instrument

viola da gamba
UF bass viol
gamba, viola da
viol, bass
BT viol

viola da gamba (family of viols)
USE viol

viola d'amore
BT viol

viola d'arame
UF arame, viola da
Portuguese viola
viola braguesa
viola chuleira
viola de arame
BT plucked lute

viola de arame
USE viola d'arame

viola-de-cocho
UF Brazilian lute
lute, Brazilian
BT plucked lute

viola di bordone
USE baryton

viola ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more violas.
UF viola choir
BT bowed string ensemble

viola paredon
USE baryton

viola pomposa
BT viola

violano-virtuoso
BT mechanical instrument

violetta d'amore
A bowed string instrument with five playing and six resonating strings developed in Germany in the 20th century.
BT bowed lute

violin
BT bowed lute
NT electric violin
phonofiddle
pochette
prepared violin
skrzypce

violin choir
USE violin ensemble

violin ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more violins.
UF violin choir
BT bowed string ensemble

violo
BT bowed lute

violoncello
USE cello

violoncello piccolo
BT cello

violone
UF double bass viol
BT viol

violotta
BT bowed lute

virginal
BT keyboard instrument
plucked string instrument
zither

visuals
A visual component of a musical performance.

vocal ensemble
An ensemble consisting of two or more unspecified voices. For an ensemble consisting of solo voices, use solo vocal ensemble.
BT ensemble
NT chorus
solo vocal ensemble

vocal percussion
A vocalist who creates sounds with the mouth that approximate, imitate, or otherwise serve the same purpose as a percussion instrument.
UF bouladjél
mouth drum
BT voice
body percussion

vocalion
BT reed organ

vocalist
USE singer

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

voló
USE valiha

Vosges, epinette des
USE epinette des Vosges

wa wa erh
USE suo na

Wagner horn
USE Wagner tuba

Wagner tuba
UF Bayreuth tuba
Wagner horn
BT brass instrument

washboard
BT indirectly struck idiophone

washboard band
UF band, washboard
BT instrumental ensemble

washint
UF wāšint
BT ductless flute

washtub bass
UF gutbucket
BT plucked string instrument

wāšint
USE washint

water organ
UF hydraulic organ
hydraulis
hydraulos
hydraulus
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)
eVI wind controller
eVI (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
jug
megaphone
woodwind instrument

wind machine
UF aeoliphone
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
 bangzi
 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
 oboe 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 suo na

xaramita
 USE gralla

xian ze
 USE sanxian

xianzi
 USE sanxian

xiao
 BT ductless flute

xiaoluo
 USE hsiao luo

xirimia
 USE chirimia

xirimita
 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
 gylil
 kaw law
 mendzan
 tingklik

xylophone controller
 USE mallet controller

xylorimba
 UF marimba-xylophone
 xylo-marimba
 BT mallet instrument

yamatobue
 USE kagurabue

yanchin
 USE yoochin (dulcimer)

yanchir
 USE yoochin (dulcimer)

yang qin
 UF yangqin
 BT dulcimer

yanggüm
 UF kurach'ölsa kum
 BT dulcimer

yangqin
 USE yang qin

yaogu
 UF huagu

temple drum
 BT drum

yataga
 USE yatga

yatga
 UF Mongolian zither
 yataga
 yatug
 yatug-a
 yatuga
 BT plucked string instrument
 zither

yatug
 USE yatga

yatug-a
 USE yatga

yatuga
 USE yatga

yoochin (dulcimer)
 UF öochin
 yanchin
 yanchir
 BT dulcimer

yue hu
 USE gao hu

yue qin
 UF moon guitar
 moon lute
 yueqin
 BT plucked lute

yueqin
 USE yue qin

yuka
 BT drum

yukelele
 USE ukulele

zampoña
 USE siku

zarah
 USE kazoo

zarb
 UF dombäck
 dombak
 tombak
 tûnbak
 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

zhongruan
 USE ruan

zhui qin
 BT hu qin

zilia
 USE finger cymbals

zils
 USE finger cymbals

zink
 USE cornett

zither
 UF cither
 simple chordophone
 BT string instrument
 NT aeolian harp
 ajaeng
 Appalachian dulcimer
 autoharp
 bulbultarang
 citaharp
 clavichord
 claviorgan
 đàn bầu
 đàn tranh
 diddley bow
 dolceola
 dulcimer
 harmonic canon
 harp guitar
 harp-piano
 harp zither
 harpola
 harpsichord
 hurdy-gurdy
 ichigenkin

kacapi (zither)
 kayagüm
 kômun'go
 koto
 lute-harpsichord
 marovany (box zither)
 meloharp
 meta-harp
 monochord
 musical bow
 new century harp
 ongnuyugüm
 piano
 psalmodikon
 psaltery
 qânün
 qin
 siter
 stick zither
 tambi
 tangent piano
 tube zither
 vina
 virginal
 yatga
 zheng
 zitho-harp

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

zither harp
 USE harp zither

zitho-harp
 BT plucked string instrument
 zither

zoomoozophone
 BT mallet instrument

zukra
 USE zürnä

zumari
 BT double reed instrument

zurla
 USE zürnä

zürnä
 UF sorna
 sornai
 surlä
 surle
 surna
 surnai
 zukra
 zurla
 BT double reed instrument

žvegljica
 USE svirala