

## Make a Native American Twig Shaker

Native Americans made these musical instruments from all sorts of natural materials. Look out for fallen twigs on your walk around Westonbirt so you can make your own.

### *You will need:*

A Y shaped twig  
Something that rattles —buttons,  
beads, shells with holes in  
Wool or string  
Scissors and sticky tape  
Feathers, leaves, moss etc to  
decorate



### *What to do:*

1. Wind the wool or string around the twig and add in leaves, feathers or moss for decoration
2. You can tie a knot or use sticky tape to fix the end in place
3. Take another piece of wool and thread on your beads / buttons etc.
4. Tie each end of the string tightly to either arm of the forked twig.
5. Shake away! Can you make up a tree song to go with your new shaker?

