



Damaru Drum

The *damaru drum* is very common throughout India and is known as a 'power drum'. When played, it is believed to generate spiritual energy and is associated with the Hindu deity (god) *Shiva*.

The damaru is typically made of wood, with leather drum heads at both ends and a brass resonator. It is played single handedly by the player who waves the drum using a twisting wrist motion. The strikers beat on the drumhead.

The strikers are typically beads fastened to the ends of leather cords around the waist of the damaru. Knots can also be used as strikers as on this one.

