

Some information about making and playing the guitar!

All wood instruments, like the guitar, are made by a professional Maker.

The maker, or luthier, is the person who makes instruments like violin, viola, Cello, double bass and, of course, guitar. Many people think that luthiers are magical but they are closer to wizards, who work hard and know how to put knowledge together with delicate and refined handwork.



The guitar is made of wood - a really dried wood - because the maker waits more than 25 years until the wood chosen is ready to be used.

The standard guitars have six strings but we can also find guitars with more than eight strings, even with double strings - double strings are also called “cords.”

Here you have all parts of the guitar!



Maya, Flipi and Mike playing the guitar!

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People usually use guitar to play songs like *rancheras*, or blues, jazz, or Rock and Roll, even classical pieces; and all of them enjoy playing with family and friends.

There are others who like to enjoy playing with more people and different instruments into bands or classical ensembles.

But few people know how many sounds a guitar can make. The guitar can sound like a hammer, thunder, marbles, saw, drums, birds, drops of water... even a drum to march!!!

The guitar is a small orchestra, a beautiful and funny one!