



Shawm

Date

1920-1935 ca.

Description

Conical, double-reed shawm introduced into China from Central Asia with the spread of Islamic culture. Its name is a transliteration of the Arabic zurna. Hardwood body with scalloped exterior, possibly emulating bamboo nodes. Bronze bell and fittings. Historically, favored in military ensembles for its bright tone and volume.

Dimensions

Total height: 465 mm Bell diameter: 130 mm