
Subject: Favourite Household Items as Musical Instruments

Posted by [Goatmaster](#) on Mon, 15 Aug 2011 14:04:08 GMT

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What's your favourite house hold item to play on a recording? This may not be a household item as such, but I find that using a mallet on unopened 2 litre bottles of fizzy drink creates a lovely bell tone! Most of my other favourite stuff can be found in a kitchen.

Subject: Re: Favourite Household Items as Musical Instruments

Posted by [audioaudio90](#) on Thu, 18 Aug 2011 13:39:25 GMT

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I like experimenting with wineglasses or glass bottles filled with varying amounts of water. I love the sound created by blowing across the top of the bottles.

Subject: Re: Favourite Household Items as Musical Instruments

Posted by [Aki](#) on Sun, 21 Aug 2011 17:36:27 GMT

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My pepper grinder makes a lovely sounding shaker. It also triggers this rhythmic response from people around as they sneeze uncontrollably...

Subject: Re: Favourite Household Items as Musical Instruments

Posted by [Hannah](#) on Tue, 23 Aug 2011 06:59:47 GMT

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I like listening to a fork. I beat it with something and I will hear the humming. I wish I could make the humming louder because I always put the fork near my ear in order to hear it.

Subject: Re: Favourite Household Items as Musical Instruments

Posted by [LizardBat](#) on Wed, 24 Aug 2011 13:14:55 GMT

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Forks are good! Also larger versions of that, like tongs and grill forks that have longer metal tines work well. I'm also a fan of metal mixing bowls and pot lids that have a long sustain when hit with a stick.

Subject: Re: Favourite Household Items as Musical Instruments

Posted by [mixinlady](#) on Wed, 21 Dec 2011 15:07:33 GMT

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Cymbals can be made using tinfoil plates and string (to pull and bring them together). This combination produces a lovely, crisp sound, and did I mention it's recycling?

Subject: Re: Favourite Household Items as Musical Instruments
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 21 Dec 2011 15:59:24 GMT
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Oh, yes. I'm particularly fond of the sound of cleaning dishes, rub 'em dry and it makes that squeaky-squeaky-squeaky-squeak sound, like a rapper scratching his records.

Subject: Re: Favourite Household Items as Musical Instruments
Posted by [The Wiz](#) on Sun, 04 Mar 2012 08:00:08 GMT
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That's true Wayne, I can't believe I never thought of the squeaky dish sound like that! It really goes with the motion of cleaning and shape of a plate too.

Subject: Re: Favourite Household Items as Musical Instruments
Posted by [Nymeria](#) on Sun, 04 Mar 2012 22:32:55 GMT
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Yes, tongs make for some great sounds. The washing machine can make a cool rhythm sometimes when it's slightly off balance, as can jeans rivets hitting the dryer walls.

Subject: Re: Favourite Household Items as Musical Instruments
Posted by [Bill Wassilak](#) on Wed, 04 Apr 2012 20:19:04 GMT
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You can use plastic trash bins to add midbass to bass depending on the size of the container.
