KULITENG-bamboo zither-Indigenous Filipino Musical Instruments

The zither is classified under string instrument. It is made from a single bamboo section with three to four inches in diameter. The strings used are the narrow strips of the outer part of the bamboo itself raised by small wedges beneath.

Varying pitches are derived because of these wedges.

The bamboo zither are found all over the country with different names. Ilongots call it kolesing; Ibalois, kalshang; negritos, pas-ing and Ifugaos call it patting. The Tagbanuas call it pa’gang, while the Mangyans call it kudlung. The Bagobos call it tawgaw.

It is also known as kuliteng.

Here is a picture of a bamboo zither.


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