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# Quray (kurai, Құрай) flute from Bashkortostan

€80.00

**RARE! Just 8 pieces in stock!**

Material: veneer

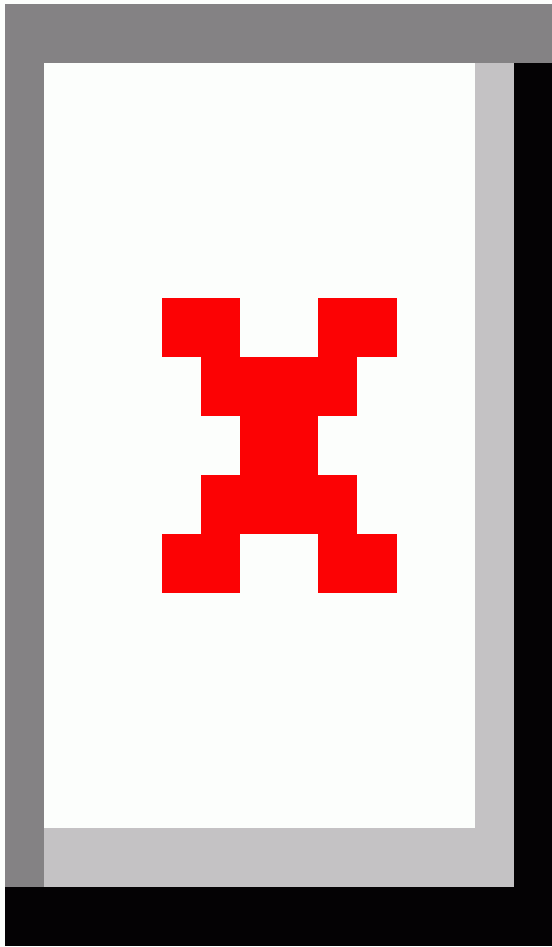
Master: Shugayupov

Range: 3 octaves

Scale: pentatonic

The **quray** is an open end blown flute and most popular traditional musical instrument of the Bashkir people. This particular qurai is made by master Shugayupov, who considered as the best maker for this instrument. He made many improvements of this traditional instrument and **he's first who started to tune qurai with tuner**. Before that the holes on qurai were made by measuring with fingers (The length is found by measuring 8-10 times the width of a palm encompassing the stem of a plant.. The first hole must be done at four fingers distance from the top of the plant, the next three holes at two fingers distance from each other, the fifth at the back at three fingers distance from the fourth hole. *from wikipedia*). The diapason of a quray consists of three octaves. The quray is used as a solo as well as an ensemble instrument. Traditionally qurai flute is named after the qurai plant (*Pleurospermum uralense*), from which it was made traditionally. Now, a quray can be made from veneer. It is more stable and its sound is similar to the natural quray's sound.

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