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Classification	African Percussion instrument, Head can be goatskin, elk skin, or deerskin, body of hardwood.
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An ashiko is a kind of drum shaped like a truncated cone and meant to be played with bare hands. The drum is played throughout sub-Saharan Africa and the Americas. The Ashiko has three primary tones, bass, tone and slap, just like the Djembe. Ashiko is the male version of djembe.

The Aşıkò (Ashiko) drum, played by a skilled musician, can make a variety of tones, similar to the dundun or talking drums of Nigeria. It is associated with a whole genre of music of the same name and adherents of the Christian religion, as practiced in Nigeria.



girl on a modern ashiko



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