

How to Make a Harmonica from some Ice Cream Sticks

You will need...

- Someone to help you – very important!
- 2 dry ice cream sticks that are about the same size. You can decorate these before you start!
- A tooth pick. If you don't have one in the house you can use another ice cream stick instead.
- Paper
- A pen
- Scissors
- 2 elastic bands

Step One:

Using the pen and paper, draw around one of the ice cream sticks. Then, ask your helper to cut out the shape you've drawn using the scissors.

Step Two:

Ask your helper to cut the ends off of the tooth pick. If you don't have a tooth pick and are using a third ice cream stick, simply cut a small amount off of each end of this instead.

Step Three:

Firstly, place one of the bits of toothpick on one end of your ice cream stick. Then, place the bit of paper you cut out on top. Thirdly, place the second bit of toothpick on top of the paper at the other end. Finally, rest your second ice cream stick on top – a bit like a paper and toothpick sandwich!

Step Four:

Wrap one elastic band around each end until you can't wrap it around any more!

Time to make some noise! Put the harmonica sideways against your mouth and hum into it. The paper on the inside should buzz to your humming!

If you want, listen to a real professional do it: Moses Concas is an amazing harmonica player from Italy. We've sent out a link this week to him beatboxing and playing the harmonica at the same time!

<https://youtu.be/x0AWC049Av0>

