Ngomba musical instruments

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Ngomba	English	Français
cŭu	Cylindrical trumpet made from plastic or 'Chinese' bamboo.	trompette
	Played for dance associations and for traditional priests.	
mɛnjóŋ	Pellet bells. Two crescent shaped iron pods welded together	grelots en fer
	containing rattling pellets. Used by women and worn on the	
	ankle, they clash together when the dancer stamps her feet.	
nɛlúŋ	Sansa. Two hollowed raffia midribs tied together with about	sansa
	ten keys of bamboo or metal. Played with the thumbs. Played	
	for songs of personal expression.	
mônzemndú'	Double iron clapperless bell played for dance associations and	cloche double en fer sans battant
	ceremonies concerned with kingship. Played for the <i>samba</i> ,	
lambii	mányí dances.	touch over achlier
lembii	Two-headed hourglass drum played by women. Beaten with	tambour-sablier
nefém	the palms. Played for the <i>samali</i> dance.	aalahaaaaa frannéaa
11131311	Pair of large dried calabashes struck with the hand for the twins ceremony. They are open at the top and there is also a	calebasses frappées
	hole in the side-wall. They are struck rhythmically in pairs.	
nɛkɔŋ-lúŋ	Rattling stick?	flèche de danse de la musique traditionnelle
neköŋ raŋ nekŏŋntsa'	Iron pellet-bells in crescent-shaped pods attached to the end	flèche de danse avec grelot
пекоппо	of a spear. The player shakes the spear up and down to	neene de danse avec greiot
	produce a rhythmic rattling noise. Used in the Catholic	
	service and the <i>ndyog</i> dance association.	
nɛlém	Slit-gong, very large, laid horizontally on the ground. Used	tambour à fente
	for messages from the king and other occasions associated	
	with royalty.	
nelúŋ	general name for musical ensemble, but also a name for string	
	instruments, such as the guitar	
mândét	Cruciform wooden whistle. Can also be an animal horn.	sifflet
, ,	Played for funeral processions, $l \tilde{\epsilon} n$.	1.
vúvŭu	Spinning-disc used by children	disque tournante
vúvŭu mbanc u á'	Bullroarer. Secret name cannot be given Conical or cylindrical basketry rattle. Also <i>tsétsá</i> '	rhombe hochet
mbaa	Hollowed length of raffia midrib, with parallel notches along	racloir
IIIUaa	one side. The performer holds one end against the shoulder	racion
	and scrapes the notches with an iron ring, g5k mbaa. Used for	
	the <i>kanaa</i> dance.	
méshua	Whistle made from an animal horn held vertically.	sifflet
mεnzáŋ	Banana-log xylophone with at least seven keys. Played by	xylophone
J	two performers who sit on opposite sides of the instrument	
	and hit the edges of the keys with sticks, mepú'-nzáŋ. Has	
	been modernised by putting it on a frame with gourd	
	resonators.	
mvèd	mvet. Idiochord bar-zither.	mvet
ndĭi	Dried fruit shells attached to twine tied around the calf and	hochet de cheville en coques de fruit sec
17	making a rhythmic sound when dancing.	·ca .
ndóŋ	Whistle made from an animal horn held vertically.	corne sifflet
nd ù ' nd ù '-kanaa	Slit-gong, medium-sized, laid horizontally on the ground. Slit-gong, medium-sized, stood vertically on the ground.	tambour à fente tambour à fente
nd u -kanaa nd u '-tétók	Anthropomorphic slit-gong, medium-sized, stood vertically	tambour à fente
nau -tetak	on the ground.	tamooti a fonto
ŋkat	Shallow cylindrical drum struck with beaters with rubber tips.	tambour
-J•	Also applied to other types of introduced drum.	··· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
mɛŋk ü ວ	Two conical basketry rattles joined with a U-shaped	hochets en vannerie
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	connecting bar. Played for twins ceremonies.	
ŋk ü ɔ-kít	Monochord arched harp, with a single string attached from a	harpe arquée
	bowed stick inserted in a tin-can resonator. The player varies	
	the pitch by bending the flexible stick. Based on the	
	earth-bow, which may still exist.	
ntaŋ	transverse cow-horn. Played for funerals.	corne traversière
ntsá' (pù'u)	?	baguette pour la musique
máŋkat	very large drum similar to mâ sèm but bigger. Used for kanaa	grand tambour
	and samba dances.	_
nzăŋ	Banana-log xylophone with at least seven keys. Played by	xylophone
	two performers who sit on opposite sides of the instrument	
	and hit the edges of the keys with sticks, pù'u.	
pak kaŋ	European cymbals.	cymbales Européens
pímte	?	instrument de musique
pù'u	drum and xylophone stick	baguette pour la musique
má sem	The other drum is slightly taller and has a squat body	tambour
	incurving at the head, sitting on legs that pass to a circular	
	base. It stands upright.	
má sεm	Drum with nailed heads. One is cylindrical, about 1 m. tall.	tambour
	held obliquely and played with the hands.	
yúu-lúŋ	Musical instrument, general term	instruments de musique
mbatsá	Refers to two types of rattle, the gourd net-rattle, where a	hochet en calebasse
	hollowed gourd is covered with a string network threaded	
	with rattling beads. When the player shakes the gourd, the	
	beads strike against the gourd. The second type is a conical	
	basketry rattle, also <i>mbancuá'</i>	