

Skoog® and Visual Impairment

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The Skoog's simple shape, tactile surfaces and high-contrast design provide the ideal multi-sensory music making environment for the visually impaired.

Skoog creates sound when you touch it. It is sensitive to how and where you touch it, and different things happen to the sound when you touch it in different places and in different ways. Tactile/auditory integration is a key benefit for the visually impaired and makes the Skoog a fun and highly intuitive instrument to play.

It is a simple, robust cube that visually impaired users can easily navigate and make sense of without the need for visual input. Each surface has a clearly defined spatial relationship to its neighbouring surface. It is made of a tactile stress-ball like material with a rubber skin making it pleasant and rewarding to touch. The brightly coloured, high contrast rings on each side are designed to invite interaction, and make the Skoog a fantastic tool for exploring sound by touch.

The Skoog also has a tactile orientation marker on the base to enable visually impaired users to perceive the orientation/layout of the skoog.

Auto-key detect feature can set the key automatically removing the need for software piloting by a 3rd party.

Key Benefits

- Highly intuitive to play thanks to its fully integrated tactile and auditory feedback.
- Soft, textured and easy to navigate. Invites interaction and exploration by touch.
- Plenty of accessible features designed to support use by the visually impaired.

Related Video

Blind user using Skoog for the first time:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BNDmkeW_xgA

