guitar NAME [gɪ'ta] gui·tar [guitar guitars] BrE [gɪ'tɑ]

a musical instrument that usually has six strings, that you play with your fingers or with a [†]plectrum

- an acoustic/an electric/a classical, etc. guitar
- · a guitar player
- Do you play the guitar ?
- She plays guitar in a band.
- · As he sang, he strummed his guitar.

see also [†]air guitar, [†]bass

Word Origin:

early 17th cent.: from Spanish guitarra (partly via French), from Greek kithara, denoting an instrument similar to the lyre.

noun

Example Bank:

- · He gently plucked his guitar.
- He would stand in front of the mirror, playing air guitar to Van Halen songs.

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gui tar S3 W3 /gɪ'ta \$ -'ta h BrE AmE * noun [countable]

[Date: 1600-1700, Language: French; Origin: guitare, from Spanish guitarra, from Arabic gitar, from Greek kithara type of stringed instrument



a musical instrument usually with six strings that you play by pulling the strings with your fingers or with a †plectrum (=small piece of plastic, metal etc) an acoustic/an electric/a classical guitar ⇒ [↑]bass guitar, [↑]steel guitar

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