# A Modern Take on Baroque Oboe Reed-Making

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#### The Baroque Oboe

The Baroque oboe is the predecessor to the modern oboe, a double-reed woodwind instrument. The Baroque oboe was used in the Baroque era from 1650 to 1750. The Baroque oboe has a variety of music literature ranging from Baroque sonatas to orchestras. There are many differences in sound, structure, and more between both oboes.

### How to Create a Modern Baroque Oboe Reed

- Remove ½ of the cork portion of the oboe staple
- Take an English horn reed and place this on to the cut staple
- Place the modified reed into the reed well of the modern oboe
- Use English horn embouchure and have fun!

## Benefits of Performing Baroque Music Today

There is a lack of Baroque music literature throughout K-12 music education. Performing Baroque music today offers:

- The investigation of the predecessors to modern instruments
- The history of traditional Baroque musical style
- The exploration of artistic interpretation
- The authentic performance of standard Baroque repertoire

### Comparison of Various Oboe Reeds

