

# Reeds and Mouthpieces: Myth and Fact – Midwest Clinic, December 2002

The Great Beginning  
From Cane to Beautiful Music



*Daddario*  
MAKING REEDS SINCE 1922

*Vandoren*  
1870

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The Great Beginning



Cane field in the south of France-home of Arundo Donax

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The Great Beginning



Growing 7 meters high and 6 meters between

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The root of the plant called the "rhizome"

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Early growth provides final diameter

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Two year growth (left) and one year (on right)

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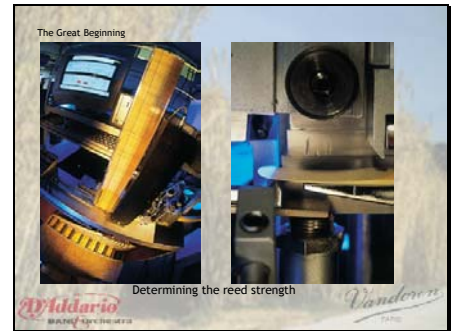
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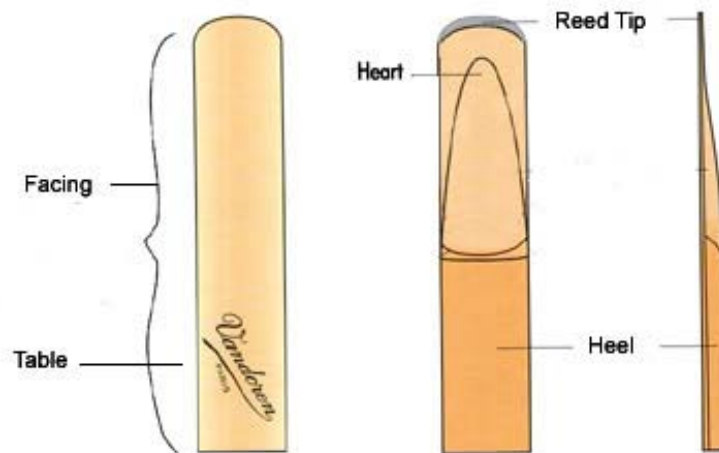
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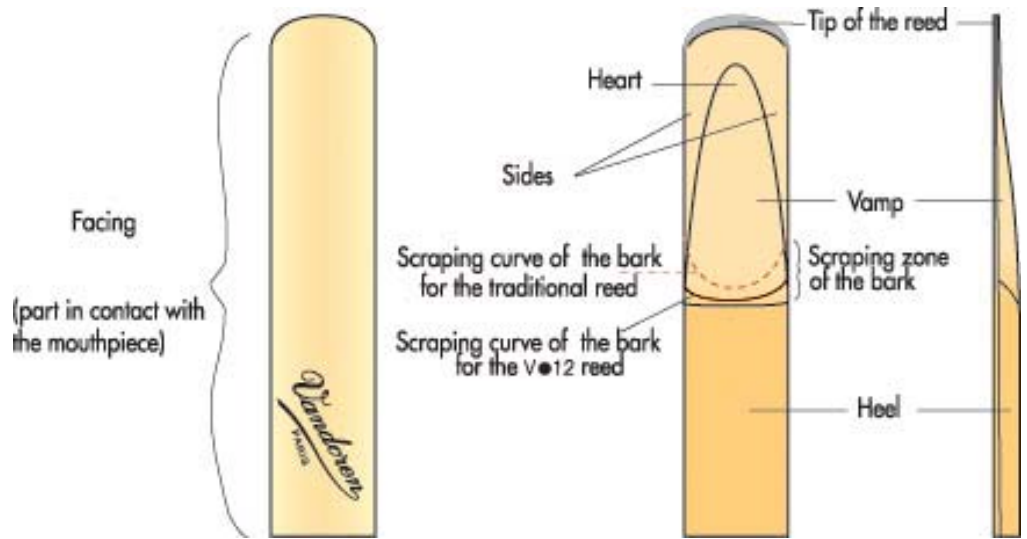
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## Parts of a Reed, Beginner



### Parts of a Reed, Advanced



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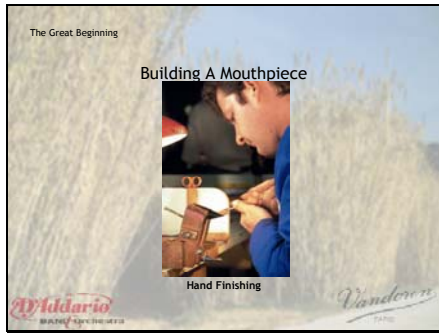
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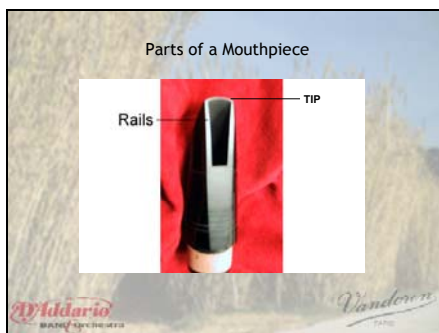
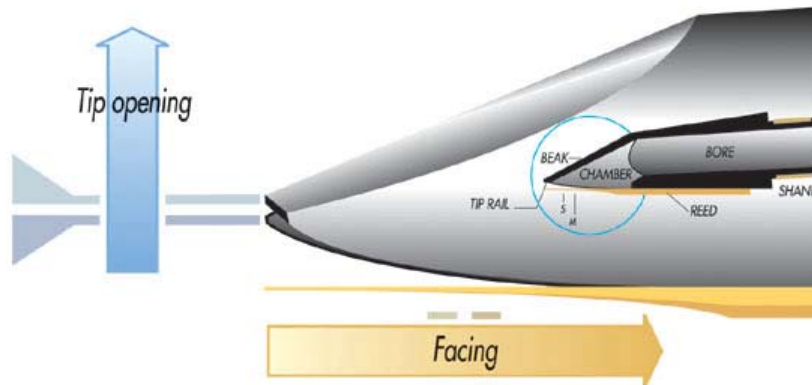
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## Tip Opening and Facing Length




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