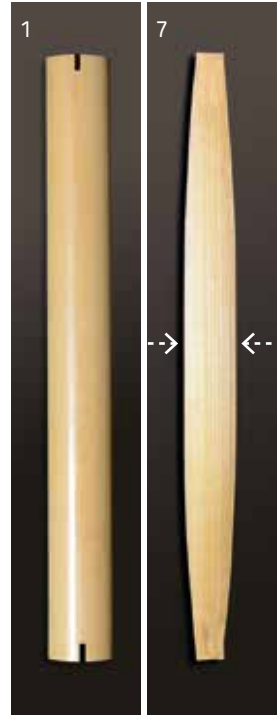


SHAPING

Pay attention to the following

- 1 To make it easier to place and fixate the gouged cane in the middle of the shaper, use the dial indicator to find the thickest part of the ends, and draw a small line on the bark with a marker.
- 2 Soak for 10 – 15 minutes.
- 3 Check that the gouged cane has the desired thickness after soaking (57/100).
- 4 Gouge again if necessary. (If the cane is too thickly gouged it will not vibrate easily).
- 5 Now the cane can be shaped.
- 6 Using the lines drawn previously on the bark, the cane is placed in the middle of the shaper - the middle of the template and the markings should be aligned.
- 7 Both sides must have the same thickness. Measure again.
- 8 No more than 2/100 mm difference between left and right is acceptable.
- 9 The difference in thickness between the middle and the outer edge depends on the desired strength of the reed: 15 – 20/100 mm.
- 10 Example: 57/100 mm gouge, outer edge 42 – 37/100 mm.



Shaper

- 1 Place in the middle
- 2 Position lever
- 3 Lock in place
- 4 Shape

