

# ROCK SLIDE

**PRICE:** £14.95-16.95 **CONTACT:** MADISON AND FIFTH,  
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Like the crocodile, the guitar slide's evolution came to a halt aeons ago. A knife or an empty bottle of booze will do the job while lending you the authentic air of the Delta. A sawn-off length of pipe is easier to use, but a sharp edge digging in to your finger while you're playing is no fun at all.

What we have here then, is the latest refinement in the art of slide guitar: the Rock Slide. Ergonomically designed to fit more snugly on the human hand than a rude piece of pipe, the manufacturer even claims that they sound better in use.

One end of the Rock Slide is cut away at an angle, to enable the finger to bend properly and reach further across the fretboard without discomfort, and the slide has a flattened area to make it easier for you to support it with your other fingers.

The really clever bit though is that the internal bore is tapered to fit your finger more snugly, so you don't get tired from having to grip it.

Available in three sizes, the Rock Slide comes in chrome and gold-plated finishes (priced £14.95 and £16.95 respectively) so you needn't have an embarrassing colour clash with your guitar's hardware. Of course, they don't make playing slide any easier, but if you're going to put in the hard hours of practice required to become a half-decent player, you might as well do it with something comfortable on your finger. **AG**

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These don't give the same reverb effect as an empty can of Stella, but are less likely to cause tendon damage

