Latin American Music

Instrumental Clues:

Flute = Andes

Steel drums = Trinidad

Percussion = African influence

Harp = Paraguay

Accordion = tango or tejano

Trumpet = mariachi

Types/Genres

bossa nova, samba: Brazil

salsa, merengue: Caribbean

corrido: Mexico

reggae: Jamaica

Quickie Guide to Latin American Music

African Influences:

Candomble (religion): Brazil

Bahamas

Steel Drums: Trinidad

Indigenous Influences:

Folk Vocal: Mexico [Michoacan]

Flute: Peru [Andes]

Euorpean Influences:

Harp: Paraguay

Milonga & Tango (accordion):

Argentina

Other Sounds:

Black Coastal Music Ecuador, Colombia

Capoeira (defense to dance): Brazil

Victor Jara (folk protest): Chile

Evita: Argentina & New York

La Bamba -- trumpets guitars: Mexico

Mariachi: "Guadalajara," Mexico

"El condor pasa" (flutes): Peru