



▲ Rian Krull verloor haar mereltotem ergens tussen Vlissingen en Oostburg. © Rian Krull

## Is de vogel (van de fluit) gevlogen?

**LEZERS HELPEN LEZERS** Elke dag verschijnen in deze krant oproepjes van lezers die op zoek zijn naar allerlei zaken. Wat is het verhaal achter deze oproepjes? Vandaag: Rian Krull uit Vlissingen die een deel van haar Indiaanse fluit mist.

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Has the bird (of the flute) flown?

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Krull used to make pen and ink drawings of Native American or African figures. Due to complaints about her hands, that fine work of tinkering is no longer possible. There are still drawings in her hallway. "The plumber who cleaned the geyser saw interfaces and said he was playing a Native American flute. Never heard of it. Searched the internet and bought my first flute. Since 2013 I play almost every day. I have flutes from various countries. I put my music on Wikiloops."

The Indian flute owes its sound to the totem or block that is placed over the first and in front of the second sound hole. These totems are made by flute makers all over the world and decorated with carvings of animals. True works of art. Rian met flute maker Anna Pan via Facebook. „She makes beautiful totems, because I always enjoy the song of the blackbird, I asked her to make a blackbird totem. A few weeks ago I received a beautiful flute. To my surprise, she had made two totems. One of the whole blackbird and one of just the head, wrapped in a homemade cover."

On March 2, Rian took this flute from Vlissingen to Oostburg. To show to her parents. Once there, the totem with the blackbird's head was gone. "Fly away" through the opening on the side of the cover. I still had the hope that it was in my bicycle bag. So no. It can be on or around the boat or at the station. Or are lost on the bus to Oostburg and the route from bus stop Bredestraat to Kroonwijkstraat." If the bird is not found, Rian wants to ask the maker for a new one. „Not so simple, because every totem is made specifically for the hole of the flute in question."

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