

G Major Scale, 1 Octave, Starting On 3rd Finger on D String

This handout can be paired with the video of the G major one octave scale starting on the 3rd finger on the G string

Today's objectives:

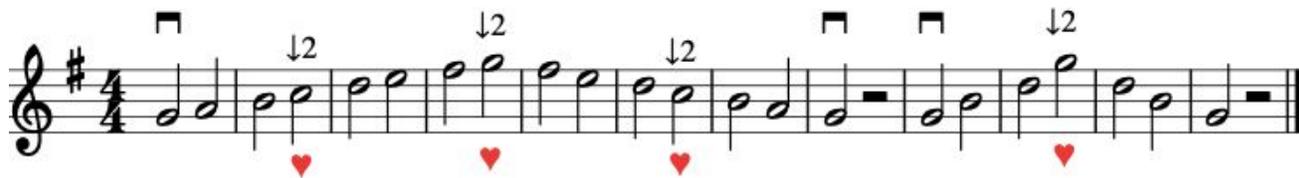
- I can play a one octave G major scale and arpeggio starting with G, third finger on the D string.
- I can play C natural and G natural in tune using a **low** second finger (↓2).
- I can build a G major scale and arpeggio using the musical alphabet.
- I can sing a G major scale and arpeggio using note names.

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Turn on a G drone using a tuner since our scale starts on G, and a metronome at 60 beats per minute.

Let's play a G major scale and arpeggio starting on G third finger on the D string.

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♥ Notes that need a little extra tender, love, and care ♥ C on the A string and G on the E string are “low 2’s” and written as ↓2 in the music.

A “low 2” is when your second finger is next to your first finger. It is called “low” 2 because the closer your finger is to your scroll, the lower the pitch.

Correct low 2 😊

C on the A string is a low 2.

G on the A string is a low 2.



Incorrect low 2 😞



Let's play our G major scale and arpeggio again making sure your 1st and 2nd fingers are best friends.

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What is the musical alphabet?

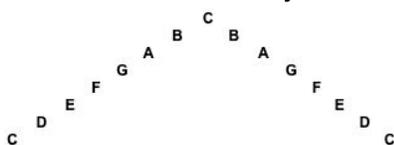
The musical alphabet consists of the letters we assign to notes. Just like the regular alphabet we'll start with A, then B C D E F G but wait! Have you ever heard of a note called H? No! Because in our musical alphabet after G comes A again.

Let's build a G major scale using our musical alphabet. Since we're building a G major scale, the first note name is G. But wait, after G comes what? A again. Continue with B, C D E F and G.

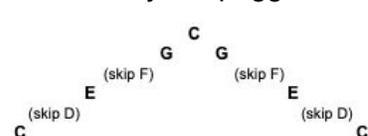
But wait, we're not done! Now let's check our key signature. G major has one sharp. So that means our notes for a G major scale are G A B C D E F# G.

Let's sing our G major scale and arpeggio together while saying the note names.

Notes in the C Major Scale, 1 Octave



Notes in a C Major Arpeggio, 1 Octave



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