

How to play Jazz Chords on Guitar

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Standard tuning

Moderate ♩ = 120

Example 1 - Diatonic chords of Bb Major

Bb maj7 Cm7 Dm7 Eb maj7 F7 Gm7 Am7/b5 Bb maj7

f

T	3	4	6	8	10	11	13	15
A	2	3	5	7	8	10	12	14
B	3	5	7	8	10	12	13	15
B	1	3	5	6	8	10	12	13

Example 2 - Diatonic chords of F Major

Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Bb maj7 C7 Dm7 Em7/b5 Fmaj7

T	1	3	5	6	8	10	11	13
A	2	3	5	7	9	10	12	14
B	2	3	5	7	8	10	12	14
B	1	3	5	6	8	10	12	13

Example 3 - II V progression first root on 6th

Em7 A9 Dm7 G9 Cm7 F9 Bb m7 Eb 9 Ab m7 Db 9

mf

T	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	4	4
A	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	4	4
B	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3
B	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	4	4

Example 4 - II V progression first root on 5th

Am9 D7(13) Gm9 C7(13) Fm9 Bb7(13) Ebm9 Ab7(13)

T	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6
A	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5
B	10	10	8	8	6	6	4	4
B	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	4

Example 5 -minor II V progression first root on 6th

Em7(b5) A7(b9) Dm(7b5) G7(b9) Cm7(b5) F7(b9) Bbm7(b5) Eb7(b9) Abm7(b5) Db7(b9)

T	11	11	9	9	7	7	5	5	3	3
A	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	4	4
B	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3
B	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	4	4

Example 6 -minor II V progression first root on 5th

Am7(b5) D7(b13) Gm7(b5) C7(b13) Fm7(b5) Bb7(b13) Ebm7(b5) Ab7(b13)

T	13	11	11	9	9	7	7	5
A	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5
B	13	10	11	8	9	6	7	4
B	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	4

Example 7 - Dim Chords with root on 5th and 6th string

Cdim Cdim

T	4	7
A	2	8
B	4	7
B	3	8