

Introduction to Barre Chords

(Memorize These Shapes!)

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Major Chord Shapes:

F B \flat C F

Root on A String Root on E String

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|---|----|---|---|---|---|----|----|
| T | 8 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 8 | 8 |
| A | 10 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 8 | 10 |
| B | 10 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 9 | 10 |
| B | 8 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 10 | 10 |
| B | | 1 | 1 | 6 | | 8 | 8 |

Minor Chord Shapes:

Am Dm Em Am

Root on A String Root on E String

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|---|----|---|---|----|---|----|----|
| T | 12 | 5 | 5 | 10 | 7 | 12 | 12 |
| A | 13 | 5 | 6 | 10 | 8 | 12 | 13 |
| B | 14 | 5 | 7 | 10 | 9 | 12 | 14 |
| B | 14 | 7 | 7 | 12 | 9 | 14 | 14 |
| B | 12 | 5 | 5 | 10 | 7 | 12 | 12 |

Dominant 7th Chord Shapes:

G⁷ C⁷ D⁷ G⁷

Root on A String Root on E String

Try all of these shapes on different frets!

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