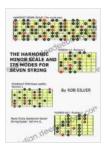
## The Harmonic Minor Scale And Its Modes For Seven String Guitar Basic Scale

The harmonic minor scale is a seven-note musical scale that is commonly used in jazz, blues, and rock music. It is a variation of the natural minor scale, with the seventh note raised by a semitone. This gives the scale a distinctive sound that is both melodic and dissonant.

The harmonic minor scale can be played on any guitar, but it is particularly well-suited for seven-string guitars. The extra string allows you to play the scale in a wider range of positions, and it also gives you access to additional notes that can be used to create more complex chords and melodies.

In this article, we will explore the harmonic minor scale and its modes in detail. We will also provide some exercises that you can use to practice playing the scale and its modes on seven-string guitar.



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The harmonic minor scale is constructed using the following intervals:

- Root
- Minor second
- Major third
- Perfect fourth
- Perfect fifth
- Minor sixth
- Major seventh

The following diagram shows the harmonic minor scale in the key of C:

As you can see, the harmonic minor scale is similar to the natural minor scale, but the seventh note is raised by a semitone. This gives the scale a more dissonant sound.

The harmonic minor scale has seven modes, each of which has its own unique sound and character. The modes are named after the notes of the scale that they start on.

The seven modes of the harmonic minor scale are:

- Aeolian mode (also known as the natural minor mode)
- Dorian mode
- Phrygian mode
- Lydian mode
- Mixolydian mode
- Ionian mode (also known as the major mode)
- Locrian mode

Each mode has its own unique set of intervals, and each mode can be used to create different types of music.

The following table shows the intervals for each mode of the harmonic minor scale:

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Here are a few tips for using the harmonic minor scale and its modes on seven-string guitar:

- Use the seventh string to play the root of the scale. This will give your playing a more solid foundation.
- Use the higher strings to play the other notes of the scale. This will allow you to create more complex melodies and chords.
- Experiment with different modes of the harmonic minor scale. Each mode has its own unique sound and character, so experiment to find the modes that you like the best.
- Use the harmonic minor scale and its modes to create your own music. The harmonic minor scale is a versatile scale that can be used to create a wide variety of music, so don't be afraid to experiment and find your own sound.

The following exercises will help you to practice playing the harmonic minor scale and its modes on seven-string guitar.

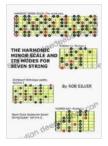
**Exercise 1:** Play the harmonic minor scale in the key of C. Start on the root note (C) and play each note of the scale in order. Once you have reached the end of the scale, reverse the order and play back down to the root note.

**Exercise 2:** Play the harmonic minor scale in all seven modes. Start with the Aeolian mode (natural minor) and play each mode in order. Once you have reached the end, reverse the order and play back down to the Aeolian mode.

**Exercise 3:** Create a chord progression using the harmonic minor scale and its modes. Experiment with different chords and progressions to find the ones that you like the best.

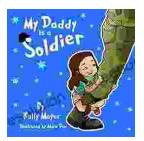
**Exercise 4:** Create a melody using the harmonic minor scale and its modes. Experiment with different notes and rhythms to find the melodies that you like the best.

The harmonic minor scale and its modes are a versatile and expressive musical tool that can be used to create a wide variety of music on sevenstring guitar. By practicing the exercises in this article, you will be able to improve your playing and expand your musical vocabulary.



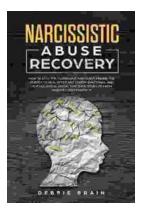
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