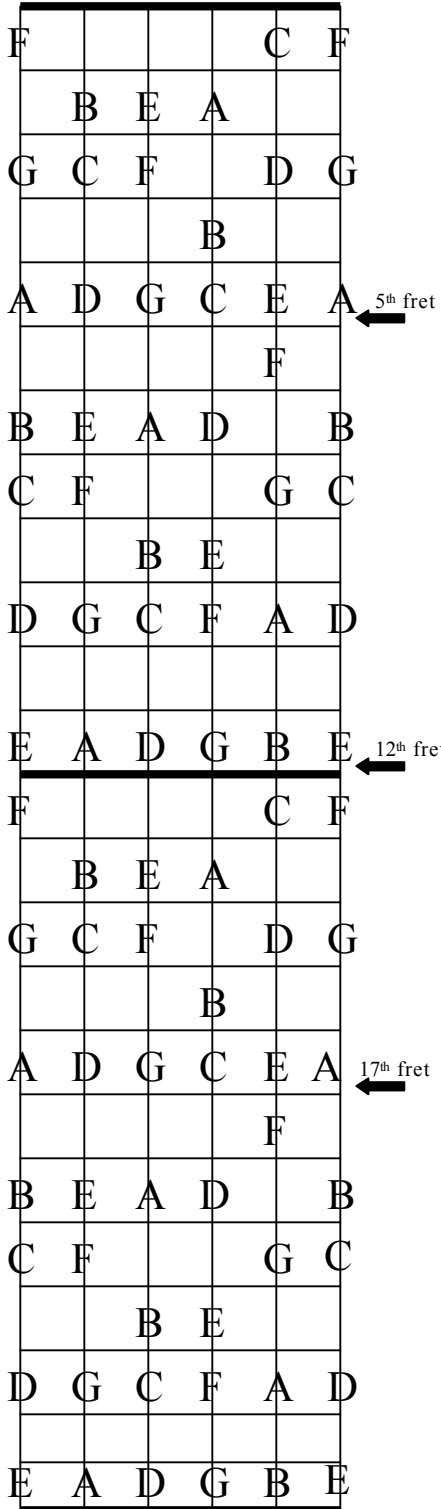


Natural Note Placement and Basic Concepts

6 5 4 3 2 1
E A D G B E



The Musical Alphabet

The letters that we use to name notes in music are A B C D E F G .

Unlike our regular alphabet, we need to know the order of these notes forwards and backwards and in other patterns as well.(more on this later)

Therefore the student should practice saying “G F E D C B A – G F E D C B A”

As well as “A B C D E F G”.

Basic Concepts

- Natural Notes
- Sharp Notes
- Flat Notes
- Semi Tones
- Whole Tones
- Minor 3rds
- Major 3rds (more intervals will be discussed later)

Exercises For Learning the Note Placements on Guitars in Standard Tuning

- Up and Down Natural Notes
- Memorize open strings & 12th fret notes
- Memorize 5th fret & 17th fret notes
- Chromatic scale (sharps and flats)
- Octave shapes
- Cycle of 5ths and reverse
- The “All Note Review”