

SLIDE GUITAR: BEGINNER

The Slide Guitar course is an introductory course that teaches the basics of Slide Guitar technique. The Slide Guitar sound is often heard in Blues, Country, Rock and other styles, and it adds a whole new dimension of sound to your guitar playing. It is somewhat tricky to learn, since the frets are used only as visual reference points that you slide over with the bottleneck or metal tube (or ceramic tube, or a knife works too) without pressing down the string onto the fret, which makes playing in pitch a little harder. Once you start practicing Slide Guitar technique, you'll be hooked soon and playing in pitch becomes second nature. The lessons discuss what slide to choose, left and right-hand technique, licks, chords, open G tuning and Delta Blues, embellished with tricks and special effects.

COURSE	LESSON	TEACHER	DESCRIPTION
Slide Guitar	Beginning Slide Guitar	Greg Horne	<p>Welcome to beginning slide guitar. This lesson will tell you what slide guitar is and give you some tips on choosing a slide. Future lessons will be full of techniques, licks and ideas. Slide guitar can be one of the most vocal, expressive ways to play guitar in any style of music. Without good technique, it can also be one of the most cantankerous rackets anybody ever heard. It's all in your hands!</p> <p>You don't need any tools for this lesson. I'm here to help you choose the tools that you'll use later. Right now, just sit back and take a look at how slide playing works.</p>
Slide Guitar	Basic Left-Hand Technique	Greg Horne	<p>In this lesson, we'll talk about basic slide technique for the left hand, and in it you'll learn how to produce good-sounding notes out of the slide. We'll also talk about some other left-hand techniques that are crucial to making music with the slide - as opposed to inducing wooziness in your family and pets. To do this lesson, you'll need your guitar, in standard tuning, and a slide.</p> <p>A few basic safety items couldn't hurt:</p> <p>I recommend shin guards, to protect your knees when your beggin' please, and an orange hunting vest, in case your slide playing is mistaken for the call of the moose.</p> <p>Now, seriously, let's get to work</p>
Slide Guitar	Basic Right-Hand Technique	Greg Horne	<p>This lesson is on basic slide technique for the right hand. You would think that just getting your left hand to the right notes would be all there was to it, but a tremendous amount of the nuance of slide playing is actually in the picking hand. When your right hand is doing the right thing, you'll cut way down on that feeling of motion sickness you can get while listening to yourself play. For this lesson, you'll need a guitar in standard tuning, and a slide. I'll show you how the right hand techniques apply to both playing with a pick and fingerstyle.</p>

Slide Guitar	Major Chord Licks in Standard Tuning	Greg Horne	<p>Now that you've got your slide and your not afraid to use it, its time to learn some actual licks you can use in songs. This lesson will cover some easy techniques for playing on major chords in standard tuning.</p> <p>Now, as you practice these licks, watch out for 'slide effects'. These are the side effects of playing slide... They include facial ticks and the overwhelming urge to hop into a moving box car and 'blow outa town, y'all!'</p>
Slide Guitar	Moving Licks from Chord to Chord	Greg Horne	<p>In this lesson, we're going to build on the licks we've been learning, which have centered on the E major chord at the ninth fret, strings two, three and four. Now, you'll learn how to extend the basic position for a few more notes and how to move the licks to other chords in a twelve-bar blues.</p> <p>So, put on your helmet and goggles and lets ride!</p>
Slide Guitar	Scales and Licks in Standard Tuning	Greg Horne	<p>Now that you've got some basic techniques and a few licks under your belt, it's time to learn some new skills in standard tuning. In this lesson you will learn some more scales and licks to use in improvising, and some practice techniques to heighten your prowess.</p> <p>And don't forget to share your new gifts with others. For maximum effect, be sure to practice while other members of your household are trying to do things that require concentration, like working on taxes or dicing onions.</p>
Slide Guitar	Introducing Open G Tuning	Greg Horne	<p>This lesson is called 'Beginning Slide in Open G Tuning' or 'How to Use Slide Guitar to Cure Behavior Problems in Guinea Pigs'. You'll learn how to tune your guitar to open G and I'll also show you some chords and scales to play with the slide. We'll also talk a little bit about technique to help with some of those extra undesirable sounds you may hear using the slide in these exercises.</p>
Slide Guitar	Licks and a 12-Bar Blues in Open G	Greg Horne	<p>In another lesson, you learned some chords and scales in open G tuning. In this lesson, you'll learn some basic Mississippi Delta Blues licks and put them together to form a whole twelve-bar blues song. Once you learn this you'll be able to have an instant blues soundtrack every time you want to tell somebody how you're day went. You just say,</p> <p>"Well, I woke up this morning..."</p>