## Music Theory for Guitar : Diminished \& Augmented Triads LESSON 7

## PRACTICE

In this practice exercise, I'm going to assume you've worked through the practice exercises from previous lessons and jump straight into a little practice tune with a mix of major, minor, diminished, and augmented chords. First, examine the tab. The practice track will begin with two measures to count in, then you'll be repeating this piece for as long as you like. Start at a slow tempo and gradually increase to a faster BPM.


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1+2+3+4+1+2+3+4+1+2+3+4+1+2+3+4+
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Here is the fingering I recommend for the first two measures


C Maj Triad
(0) (0)


## C Aug Triad

(0)


## A Min Triad

(0)


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Starting with the A Minor from measure 2 on the previous page, we'll work through the fingering for measures $3 \& 4$.

$1+2+3+4+1+2+3+4+1+2+3+4+1+2+3+4+$

A Min


Even though these two triads share two notes, it will be easier to move through the triads after the F \# dim if we use different fingering. I like to think of this concept as finger foreshadowing: to adjust fingering before a problem area to make transitions easier later.

F\# Dim



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1+2+3+4+1+2+3+4+1+2+3+4+1+2+3+4+
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F\# Dim


G Maj


G\# Dim


A Min


Now that we've switched the fingering for the F\# Dim, we can essentially keep the 1st and 2nd finger on the G and B strings for the G Maj and G ${ }^{\#}$ Dim, barring for the G Maj. Then from there with a little practice, you can end the phrase by barring the fifth fret with your third finger for the A Min.

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Measures 5 and 6 use some of the same fingerings from the previous page and one familiar minor shape from a practice exercise in lesson 6.


The last two measures are simple but tricky. There are a few approaches we could take to make the fingering as easy as possible. The first option would be like this:


This is a simplified version of everything on the previous pages.


A Maj
D Min
G Maj
G Aug
C Maj

$1+2+3+4+1+2+3+4+1+2+3+4+1+2+3+4+$

