

# Rhythm Guitar in F Major

Prior to playing the exercise, take a look at the bottom of the page for some more advice on these hard to finger chords. The suggested rhythm is easy enough but the execution of these chords can easily turn this music into a crime scene.

Playing basic rhythm guitar in the key of F warrants a special effort.

Both "F" and "Bb" chords tend to be problematic for novice students because of the "bar" fingering. A guitar with good action is needed to ease the physical difficulty.

There are not too many ways of getting out of playing the F chord with the full bar chord fingering. It takes lots of patience and accurate finger positioning to get a clear sound out of all the strings.

The Bb chord is also done with a bar chord fingering and for most hands, the idea of squeezing three fingers into the same fret on three different strings is quite difficult. One solution is to omit using the first string and play the three notes on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th strings with either the third finger or the fourth finger.