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Mel Bay Qwikguide: Basic Blues Harp BCD (Qwikguide)



Synopsis

This 5 1/2 by 8 QWIKGUIDE teaches all the basics of blues harmonica. Written for the 10-hole diatonic harmonica in C in notation and tablature (arrows and hole numbers) with chord symbols, this beginners text offers instruction on vibrato, bending tones, crosssharp style, blues progressions, and tunes. Most of the tunes include lyrics, which in some cases emphasize the technique or skill being taught in an exercise. In addition to the original blues and boogie exercises used to teach specific skills, eight traditional songs are included: Old Joe Clark, When the Saints; Amazing Grace; Worried Man Blues; This Train; Midnight Special; Standing in the Need of Prayer; and Lonesome Road Blues. All of the exercises and tunes are performed on the attached CD. Also available in Japanese from ATN, Inc.

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For less than ten bucks, you really can not go wrong with this book. There are 54 songs, each one complete with harp in one channel and a backing tracking the other channel, written sheet music and tab. All the songs are in the key of G played in cross-harp, which means you need a harmonica in the key of C. The first songs are very simple and progress gradually to very nice arrangements of simple blues tunes and folk songs. Songs include: When the Saints; Old Time Religion; Amazing Grace; Lonesome Road Blues and St Louis Blues. I am amazed at how much better I am getting by having a really good book. This little book is a not a complete guide to the harmonica. There are only a couple pages of introduction with very limited explanation of vibrato and bending. I love this little

book and recommend it highly.

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