

USING THE PICKING AND STRUM PATTERNS

Below each of the chord symbols in the music are numbers that correspond to the lowest string for each chord. For example, below the C chord symbol is a five. The lowest string that you should play when playing a C chord is the fifth string.

When using a Picking Pattern, pick the lowest string (shown by the number below the chord symbol) with your thumb. The letters in the Picking Pattern show which right hand finger plays which string. The fingers are labeled as follows:

p: thumb
i: index finger
m: middle finger
a: ring finger

For example, Picking Pattern 1 is to be played: thumb - middle/ring - thumb - index - middle/ring

Strum Pattern

1	$\frac{4}{4}$	
2	$\frac{4}{4}$	
3	$\frac{4}{4}$	
4	$\frac{4}{4}$	
5	$\frac{4}{4}$	
6	$\frac{4}{4}$	
7	$\frac{3}{4}$	
8	$\frac{3}{4}$	
9	$\frac{3}{4}$	
10	$\frac{2}{4}$	

Picking Pattern

1	$\frac{4}{4}$	
2	$\frac{4}{4}$	
3	$\frac{4}{4}$	
4	$\frac{4}{4}$	
5	$\frac{4}{4}$	
6	$\frac{4}{4}$	
7	$\frac{3}{4}$	
8	$\frac{3}{4}$	
9	$\frac{3}{4}$	
10	$\frac{2}{4}$	