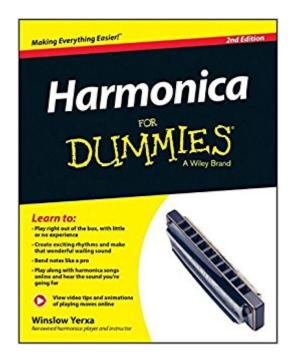


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Harmonica For Dummies





Synopsis

Master the harmonica fast with this fun, easy guide Everybody loves the sound of a harmonica, and the thought of learning to play one is even more appealing. The instrument's portability, versatility, and affordability make it a great choice for those interested in learning how to produce the unmistakable, signature sound found in many styles of American music. With Harmonica For Dummies, you can learn to master the harmonica faster than you ever thought possible, even if you have little to no playing experience. This easy-to-use resource is filled with tips, tools, and instructions that will have you playing in no time. In Harmonica For Dummies, you'll find an accessible format designed to help you access new techniques, songs, and styles of playing. Accompanying digital content and interactive tools will help you learn the nuances of playing harmonica and give you the know-how to use this versatile instrument to its fullest potential. Provides you with a high-quality, comprehensive instructional manual Instructs you with detailed instructions and tips to help you learn to play quickly Written in a clear, easy-to-understand format complete with accompanying audio/video content Helps you improve your playing and embrace the many musical styles that have made the harmonica an iconic instrument. The harmonica is a very accessible instrument, but only those with the right instruction and direction will be able to experience the joy of using it for accompaniment and solos. Let Harmonica For Dummies guide you through the learning process and make you a harmonica expert in a flash!

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I'm extremely pleased with this book in all respects. In sharp contrast to another beginning harmonica book I purchased here recently, this one is written in an interesting and highly informative manner. It's actually fun to read(!) and that speaks well of any book, particularly a "textbook" such as this. Coupled with the online audio/video tracks that take you from lesson to lesson $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â • which enable you to learn at your own pace $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â • this is a great instruction book, and is not only for beginners, as it takes your development well beyond that label. Very highly recommended. This is the ultimate guide to harmonica playing, is not at all for "dummies", it has info that long time players as well as beginners will be happy to find. The author is a true expert, which is rare in the world of harmonica. This 2nd edition adds a CD and more info, which makes it even better than the original edition. I have played for decades, play harmonica in a working band and have lots of resources for harmonica learning - this is the best.

I was hoping for something better than this. There are websites and YouTube channels that can help you much more than this book does.

nicely detailed info for any beginner harp player.

If you can only afford one book, make it this one. Winslow Yera explains the how to's and what to do in a very understandable way.

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