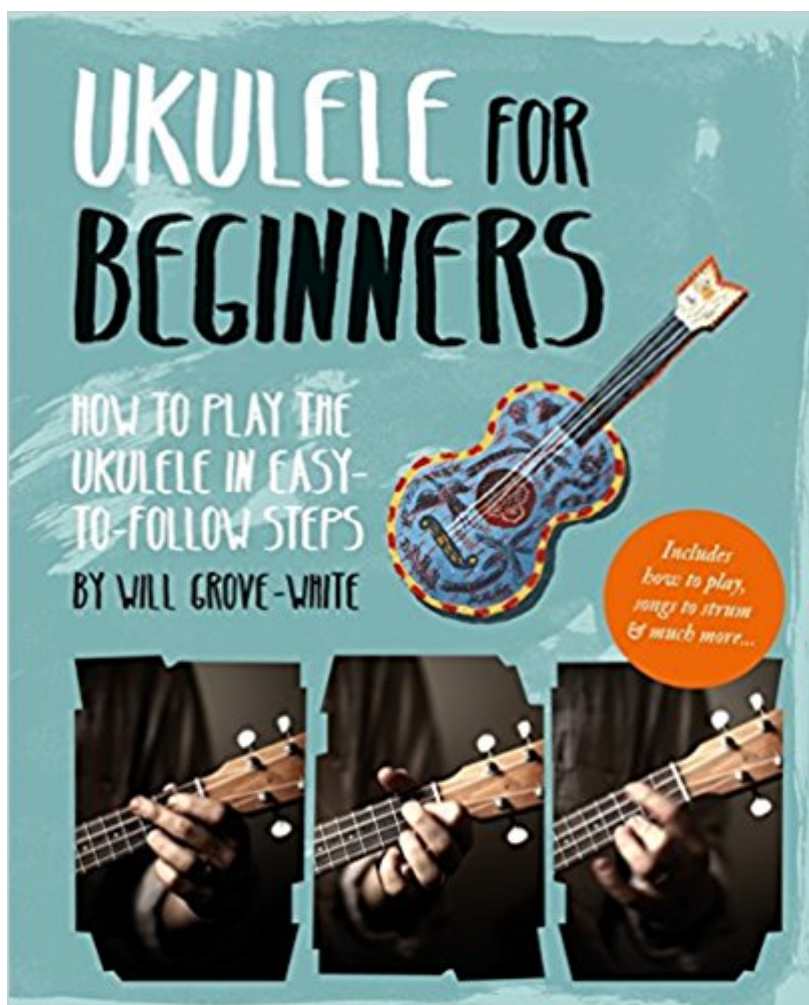


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# Ukulele For Beginners: How To Play Ukulele In Easy-to-Follow Steps



## Synopsis

This is the definitive guide to the ukulele: learn how to play, the history of the uke, chords to learn, songs to strum, beginner and advanced techniques, famous pluckers and much, much more... This all-encompassing guide is written by Will Grove-White, a member of the world-renowned Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain. Clearly written, easy to understand and beautifully designed, chock-full of photos and illustrations, there is a pull-out chord dictionary as well as tips and tricks for writing your own songs, and how best to play in a group. There are even biographies of great uke players from past and present, and ukulele revelations about Jimi Hendrix, Neil Armstrong, Elvis Presley and more... Ukulele for Beginners is the perfect teach-yourself ukulele book for adults and children alike, and a must for anyone with an interest in the instrument.

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Definitely the best book on the ukulele I have ever read. \* Lynn Barber \* Witty, informative and opinionated. I heartily recommend picking up a copy. \* Ukulele Hunt (Al Wood) \* As someone who seems to spend all my waking hours immersed in the ukulele, I learned much from this book. Beautifully presented and illustrated throughout... Highly recommended. \* Got a Ukulele (Barry Maz) \* A jollier than usual teach yourself manual... also an encyclopedia-cum-history of 'all things uke' \* The Oldie \* 'Get Plucky with the Ukulele' is just as much fun as taking a new uke out of its case, and even more informative. -- Philip Pullman --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

Will Grove-White is a musician, composer, writer and producer, and one of the

internationally-renowned Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain. As well as performing with the Ukulele Orchestra, he writes and performs his own music as Will Grove-White & The Others, and composes tunes for film and TV.

If you are looking for a book to learn how to play songs on a uke, buy a songbook. The "Jumpin' Jim" series is outstanding. Get Plucky covers in detail the history of the uke, famous players (pluckers), types of ukes, etc. It is a very interesting book, but I repeat it is more about the instrument and less about learning songs. It is amazing how popular this instrument is and how pluckers pluck it all over the globe. I wish the author would have written a piece about the banjolele (ukulele in the shape of a short-necked banjo) as played in Brazil. It is used to play tunes also played by the cavaco (cavaquinho), a cousin to the ukulele. The big difference in sound is the volume.

Ukulele Friends...Will Grove-White's new book - GET PLUCKY WITH THE UKULELE is amazing. It arrived in my mailbox on Saturday and by Monday I had finished the first full read-through. I'm sure I will read it again and again. I highly recommend it. Will's love for the uke and great sense of humor permeates the entire book as he touches on his Ukulele Heroes, Ukulele History and his approach to playing. Great story about how he lost Ian Whitcomb's Vintage Martin, too. Very cool and colorful artsy pictures and lots of "how-to's" as well. There is even a chord chart pull out. You will not be disappointed. Will is a member of The Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain and has been making his living as a fulltime ukulele player for over 25 years. How many people can say that? His enthusiasm for all things ukulele is as fresh as the first strum on a new uke. If I was writing a book about Ukuleles, He would certainly be listed as one of my Top Ukulele Heroes. I don't even have to write a book to tell you that I think Will's playing and writing is worthy of Hero Status. Will is certainly one of the good guys!! I have a lot of ukulele books...This one is my new favorite!

Will Grove-White's humo(u)r gives this wonderful book a sparkle most uke books lack. This book will please pro players as much as those who've never plucked a note. Quick history, influential performers, techniques, and many more facets of the ukulele from an early member of the Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain whose experience gives expertise in the joys of the instrument. This book is a quick read with great depths when reread (and you will want to play the fun exercises and songs he provides). Whether you love the ukulele, or have a slight curiosity, this book is a great companion.

I used this book to teach myself how to play the ukulele, and I'm so glad I chose this one specifically. The songs get progressively more difficult, making it a no-brainer to follow along with while improving your skills. The information on the history of the ukulele will provide you the perfect motivation to keep going. Will Grove-Whites laid back humor will keep you from beating yourself up when things get a little harder. I also purchased Ukulele for Dummies, and I can honestly say this book is more useful for complete beginners. It includes the info you need to get started and nothing more. From there you can use other books or youtube videos to learn more strumming variations, genre styles etc. If you are total beginner, you will not regret purchasing this awesome book!

Interesting and humorous - even has a section to challenge intermediate players. Have bought a copy for a friend as well.

It's a very interesting book about the Ukulele. I highly recommend it to all lovers of the Ukulele instrument.

Purchased as another version of Jim Beloff's ukulele book, I was highly impressed with the additional information on the history of the uke, coming from a key member of the Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain. There is humor throughout, sometimes silly, often droll and very British, but this is more than a history, it has lessons, encouragement, and other features that make this essential reading for ukulele players past, present and future

This book is so fun! Very informative and the pull out chart is awesome!

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