

Root Position 3-Note Chords (for 4-string Bass)

Three-note chords sound ideal in the upper register of the bass above the 8th fret. Avoid playing them in the lower register as they sound muddy and unclear. Each chord contains a root (indicated by an open circle), a third, and a seventh. Avoid playing strings marked with an X. These chords are relatively easy to finger and offer bassists two shapes for each of the most common chord types.

