

Basic Picking Patterns

Numbers are your fingers in examples below:

Double stop picking in 4/4 time on each beat

1 (A) --2-----2-----

2 (E) -----1-----1-----

3 (C) -----T-----T-----

4 (G) --T-----T-----

1	&	2	&	3	&	4	&
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Double stop picking in 4/4 time -- subdividing beat

1 (A) --2-----2-----2-----2-----

2 (E) -----1-----1-----1-----1--

3 (C) -----T-----T-----T-----T--

4 (G) --T-----T-----T-----T-----

1	&	2	&	3	&	4	&
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Double stop picking in 3/4 time on each beat

1 (A) ---2-----

2 (E) -----1-----1-----

3 (C) -----T-----T-----

4 (G) ---T-----

1	&	2	&	3	&
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My picking pattern in 4/4 time on each beat

1 (A) --T-----2-----2-----

2 (E) --T-----1-----

3 (C) --T-----

4 (G) --T-----

1	&	2	&	3	&	4	&
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Alternating bass in 4/4 time -- subdivided beat

1 (A) -----2-----2-----

2 (E) -----1-----1-----1-----1--

3 (C) -----T-----

4 (G) --T-----

1	&	2	&	3	&	4	&
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Alberti Bass picking pattern in 4/4 time on each beat

1 (A) -----2-----2---

2 (E) -----1-----1-----

3 (C) -----T-----T-----

4 (G) --T-----T-----

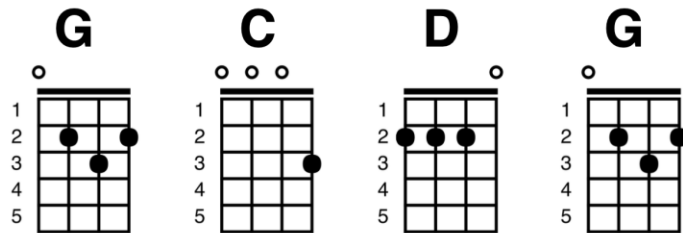
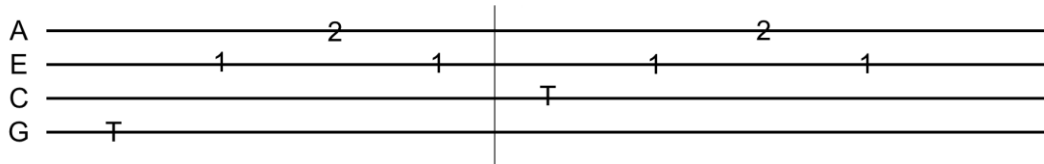
1	&	2	&	3	&	4	&
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Picking Pattern

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for practice: G C D G