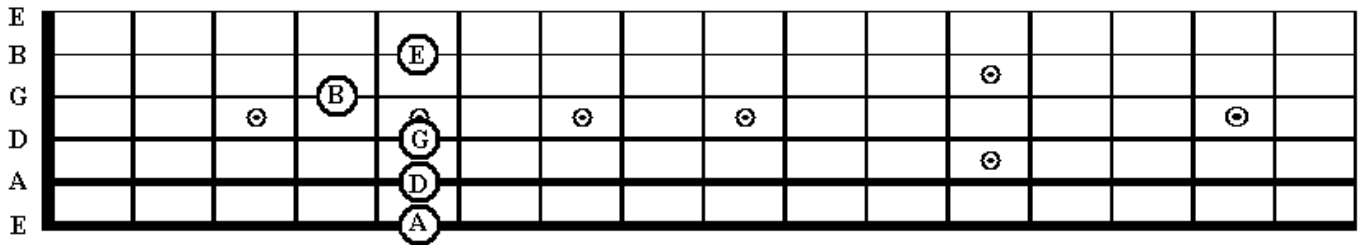


How To Tune the Guitar

This is a picture of your guitar as it would appear laying on your lap. The 6th string (the thick one) is closest to you (on the bottom) and the 1st string (thin one) is on the top.



Most guitars have markers (⊙) on the 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th and 12th frets. Some don't have one on the 3rd fret but definitely have them on 5, 7, and 9. The string names are along the left hand side and the circled letters are the notes that you will play if you put your finger where the circles are.

Place your finger on the 6th string at the 5th fret and pluck the string. This note is called "A". Then tune the next string so that it sounds the same.

Then place your finger on the 5th string at the 5th fret and pluck the string. This note is "D". Tune the next string so that it sounds like this.

Continue on to the 4th string the same way but notice that on the 3rd string we will use the 4th fret and on the 2nd string we will go back to using the 5th fret. When you are finished play the 1st and 6th strings together and they should sound like the same note, only one high and one low (they should sound "pure" together.) If they don't then check your tuning again. Good luck!