Fretboard Memorization Toolbox

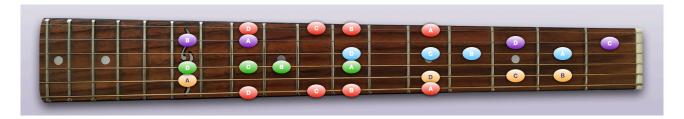
(left handed diagrams)

Preparation stage:

First you should watch the lessons, in order to get a general idea of how the toolbox works, and get a glimpse of how you will be able to apply what you learn in musical situations.

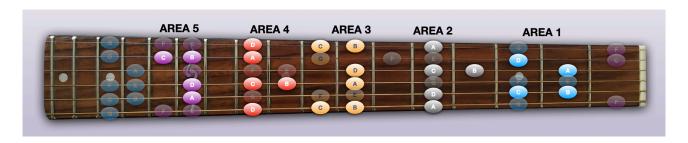
Then it's time for practice! Here are the 7 steps:

Step 1 - ABCD Horizontal



- 1. Choose a string to practice.
- 2. Locate A, B, C, and D on that string, using the diagram above.
- 3. Play them a few times to warm up.
- 4. Practice using drill 1a.
- 5. Practice using drill 1b.
- 6. Improvise with the notes A, B, C, and D, on the string you practiced, using the "Backing tracks for Improvisation" section.
- 7. Repeat for other strings.

Step 2 - ABCD Vertical



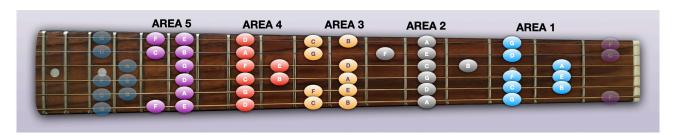
- 1. Choose an area to practice.
- 2. Locate A, B, C, and D in that area, using the diagram above.
- 3. Play them a few times to warm up.
- 4. Practice using drill 2a.
- 5. Practice using drill 2b.
- 6. Improvise with the notes A, B, C, and D, in the area you practiced, using the "Backing tracks for Improvisation" section.
- 7. Repeat for other areas.

Step 3 - ABCDEFG Horizontal



- 1. Choose a string to practice.
- 2. Locate A, B, C, D, E, F, and G on that string, using the diagram above.
- 3. Play them a few times to warm up.
- 4. Practice using drill 3a.
- 5. Practice using drill 3b.
- 6. Improvise with the notes A, B, C, D, E, F, and G, on the string you practiced, using the "Backing tracks for Improvisation" section.
- 7. Repeat for other strings.

Step 4 - ABCDEFG Vertical



1. Choose an area to practice.

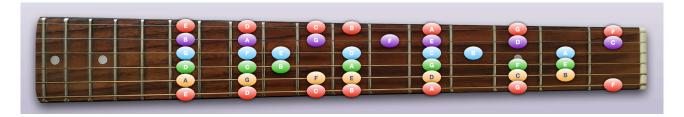
- 2. Locate A, B, C, D, E, F, and G in that area, using the diagram above.
- 3. Play them a few times to warm up.
- 4. Practice using drill 4a.
- 5. Practice using drill 4b.
- 6. Improvise with the notes A, B, C, D, E, F, and G, in the area you practiced, using the "Backing tracks for Improvisation" section.
- 7. Repeat for other areas.

Step 5 - ABCDEFG Free Improvisation

In this step, you should go to the "Backing Tracks for Improvisation" section, and experiment improvising with the 7 natural notes.

- Use every string and every area.
- Avoid thinking of scale shapes.
- Allow yourself to experiment. Even if your solo doesn't always sound great, the benefits in terms of learning are huge 😎.

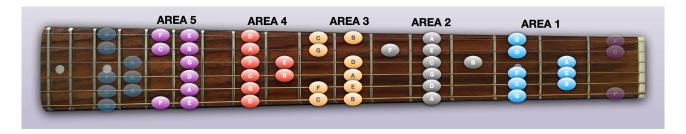
Step 6 - All 12 Notes Horizontally



In this step, your mission is to play the root note of every chord that appears in the included Key Cycle drills.

- Choose a string to practice.
- Review the 7 natural notes on that string.
- Explore the frets between the natural notes, and think how they can be labeled using both sharps (#) and flats (b)
- Practice playing them as the root notes of the chords in the drills.

Step 7 - All 12 Notes Vertically



In this step, your mission is to play the root note of every chord that appears in the included Key Cycle drills.

- Choose a vertical area to practice.
- Review the 7 natural notes in that area.
- Explore the frets between the natural notes, and think how they can be labeled using both sharps (#) and flats (b)
- Practice playing them as the root notes of the chords in the drills.

Extra - Same Root Note on all strings

Watch the extra lesson and practice locating a single note everywhere on the fretboard.