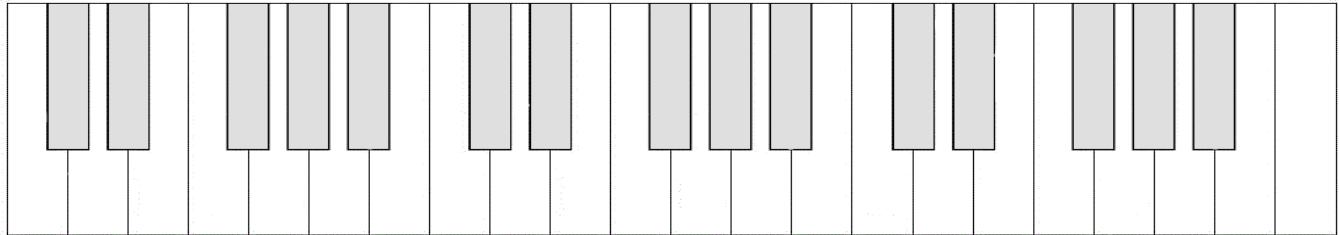


Major Scales

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Chromatic Harmonica in C



1 C Major (no sharps or flats)

1 ~1 2 ~2 3 ~3 4 ~4 5 ~5 6 ~6 7 ~7 8 ~8 7 ~7 6 ~6 5 ~5 4 ~4 3 ~3 2 ~2 1 ~1

Do Re Mi Fa So La Ti Do Re Mi Fa So La Ti Do Ti La So Fa Mi Re Do Ti La So Fa Mi Re Do

2 C♯ Major (all sharps)

1* ~1* 2* ~2* 3* ~3* 4* ~4* 5* ~5* 6* ~6* 7* ~7* 8* ~8* 8* ~8* 7* ~7* 6* ~6* 5* ~5* 4* ~4* 3* ~3* 2* ~2* 1* ~1*

3 D♭ Major (B♭, E♭, A♭, D♭, G♭)

1* ~1* ~2 ~2* 3* ~3* 4 5* ~5* ~6 ~6* 7* ~7* 8 8* 8 ~7* 7* ~6* ~6 ~5* 5* ~5* 4 ~3* 3* ~2* ~2 ~1* 1*

4 D Major (F♯, C♯)

~1 2 ~2* 3 ~3 ~4 4* ~5 6 ~6* 7 ~7 ~8 8* ~9 9* ~8 ~7 7 ~6* 6 ~5 5* ~4 ~3 3 ~2* 2 ~1

5 E♭ Major (B♭, E♭, A♭)

~1* ~2 3 3* ~3* 4 ~5 ~5* ~6 7 7* ~7* 8 ~9 ~9* ~9 8 ~7* 7* 7 ~6 ~5* ~5 4 ~3* 3* 3 ~2 ~1*

6 E Major (F♯, C♯, G♯, D♯)

2 ~2* 3* ~3 ~4 4* ~5* 6 ~6* 7* ~7 ~8 8* ~9* 10 ~9* 9* ~8 ~7 7* ~6* 6 ~5* 5* ~4 ~3 3* ~2* 2

7 F Major (B♭)

~2 3 ~3 ~3* 4 ~5 6 ~6 7 ~7 ~7* 8 ~9 10 ~10 10 ~9 8 ~7* ~7 7 ~6 6 ~5 4 ~3* ~3 3 ~2

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8 F# Major (F#, C#, G#, D#, A#, E#)

~2* ~3* ~3* ~4 5* ~5* 6* ~6* 7* ~7* ~8 9* ~9* 10* ~10* 10* ~9* 9* ~8 ~7* 7* ~6* 6* ~5* 5* ~4 ~3* 3* ~2*

9 Gb Major (Bb, Eb, Ab, Db, Gb, Cb)

~2* ~3* ~3* ~4 5* ~5* ~6 ~6* 7* ~7* ~8 9* ~9* ~10 ~10* ~10 ~9* 9* ~8 ~7* 7* ~6* ~6 ~5* 5* ~4 ~3* 3* ~2*

10 G Major (F#)

3 ~3 ~4 4 ~5 6 ~6* 7 ~7 ~8 8 ~9 10 ~10* 11 ~10* 10 ~9 9 ~8 ~7 7 ~6* 6 ~5 5 ~4 ~3 3

11 Ab Major (Bb, Eb, Ab, Db)

3* ~3* 4 4* ~5* ~6 7 7* ~7* 8 9* ~9* ~10 11 11* 11 ~10 ~9* 9* 8 ~7* 7* 7 ~6 ~5* 5* 4 ~3* 3*

12 A Major (F#, C#, G#)

~3 ~4 4* ~5 6 ~6* 7* ~7 ~8 8* ~9 10 ~10* 11* ~11 11* ~10* 10 ~9 9* ~8 ~7 7* ~6* 6 ~5 5* ~4 ~3

13 Bb Major (Bb, Eb)

~3* 4 ~5 ~5* ~6 7 ~7 ~7* 8 ~9 ~9* ~10 11 ~11 ~11* ~11 11 ~10 ~9* ~9 8 ~7* ~7 7 ~6 ~5* ~5 4 ~3*

14 B Major (F#, C#, G#, D#, A#)

~4 4* ~5* 6 ~6* 7* ~7* ~8 8* ~9* 10 ~10* 11* ~11* ~12 ~11* 11* ~10* 10 ~9* 9* ~8 ~7* 7* ~6* 6 ~5* 5* ~4

15 Cb Major (all flats)

~4 4* ~5* 6 ~6* 7* ~7* ~8 8* ~9* 10 ~10* 11* ~11* ~12 ~11* 11* ~10* 10 ~9* 9* ~8 ~7* 7* ~6* 6 ~5* 5* ~4

Philosophy:

With the exception of Cb (B) and Fb (E), always press the button for sharps and flats.

Never skip a hole for scales, but prefer staying in the same hole when possible to minimize motion.

When using 8 and 10 hole harmonicas, count rests above the instrument's range rather than playing a single octave.

(but really, just buy a 12-hole harmonica if you can afford it ... all the cool kids are doing it these days.)