



Pentatonic Harmonica Riff

Here is a cool major pentatonic riff for harmonica. It uses the higher end of the harmonica and is easy to play. It sounds great for country music and you can also use it on the “I” chord when playing blues for a nice change of color. I got the riff from a Charlie McCoy recording.

A major pentatonic scale is made up of 5 notes from the major scale.

1 2 3 5 6

Here is a Youtube link where I teach how to play it: https://youtu.be/iYrwk4Kv_tI

If you want help with bending notes or any other harmonica technique or music theory, I am available for lessons via Skype or Facetime. Simply send an email to me at: Joe@harmonicajoe.com and we can get it set up.

Harmonica Tab Legend

-2 = draw note

1 = blow note

-2/ = bend down ½ step or 1 semi tone

-2// = bend down a full step or 2 semi tones

Harmonica tab for the “Major Pentatonic Harmonica Riff”

9 8 -8 8 -8 -7 -6 6