

Basic 3/4 Strum Patterns

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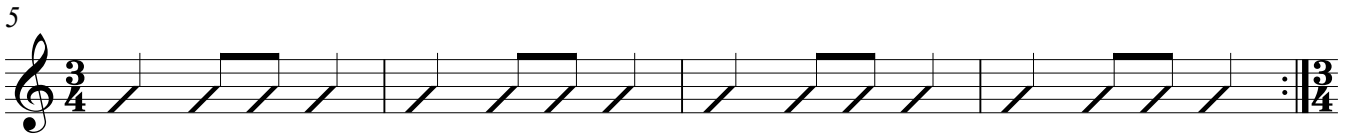
Pattern 1



Count 1 2 3 etc

Count 1, 2, 3 and try to tap your foot as you play. Strum Down, Down, Down, for each bar, try to play the 1st beat of each bar slightly heavier than the other two. Try this with two chords you find easy to change between, that way you can concentrate on the strum pattern.

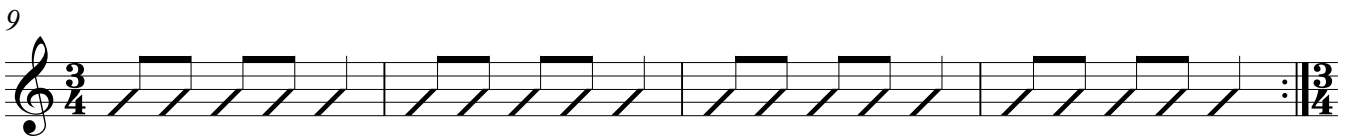
Pattern 2



Count 1 2 & 3 etc

Keep your foot tapping 3 times per bar, this time strum Down, Down, Up, Down, for each bar. Again with a slightly heavier strum on the 1st beat. Count 1, 2, &, 3.

Pattern 3



Count 1 & 2 & 3 etc

Keep everything the same as before. This time strum Down, Up, Down, Up, Down. Count 1, &, 2, &, 3.

Pattern 4



Count 1 2 & 3 & etc

This pattern is Down, Down, Up, Down, Up, count 1, 2, &, 3, &. This one is more difficult as you have only half a beat between the chord changes.

The pattern below mixes up the patterns learnt so far. In practice this sounds more interesting, but you have to have mastered the previous patterns before attempting this.

