



# Standard Notation Jig

## Complete 4-String Bass E-Book



This tool shows several cool ideas you might find useful:

- The 4 string of the bass is tuned to the E1 note on the piano. The 3 string is tuned to the piano's A1 note, the 2 string to the piano's D2 note, and the 1 string to G2. Notice how the colors of the Bass Clef notes, the Piano Layout, and the Fretboard Layout all match, and all represent the notes that are in the same octave.
- The range of the bass from the "open" 4 string to the 17<sup>th</sup> fret of the 1 string (which is the most frets that could fit on here), is from the piano's E1 note to C4. For comparison, the same span on a guitar is E2 on the open 6 string to A5 on the 17<sup>th</sup> fret of the 1 string.

- Like guitar, the bass is played one octave below the written note on piano music, so bass melodies fit better on the bass clef. Sometimes you'll see "8va" written below the bass clef to show this. (8va = octave below).
- The last thing you'll need to know is which notes are sharp (#) or flat (b) in each key, which you can visualize easily, along with lots more, on this Fretboard Toolbox Complete 4-String Bass Edition.

To see this explained in more detail, check out the Fretboard Toolbox YouTube Channel at [www.youtube.com/fretboardtoolbox!](http://www.youtube.com/fretboardtoolbox!)

Bass Clef

"Ledger Lines"

B	C
G	A
E	F
C	D
	B
Apart	Grass
Fall	Eat
Don't	Cows
Burritos	All
Good	F
E	

Piano Layout

Piano's "Middle-C" Note (C4)

### Color-Coded Fretboard Layout

Fret #:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
1	G Ab	A	A# Bb	B Cb	C B#	C# Db	D	D# Eb	E Fb	F E#	F# Gb	G	G# Ab	A	A# Bb	B Cb	C B#
2	D# Eb	E Fb	F E#	F# Gb	G	G# Ab	A	A# Bb	B Cb	C B#	C# Db	D	D# Eb	E Fb	F E#	F# Gb	G
3	A# Bb	B Cb	C B#	C# Db	D	D# Eb	E Fb	F E#	F# Gb	G	G# Ab	A	A# Bb	B Cb	C B#	C# Db	D
4	F E#	F# Gb	G	G# Ab	A	A# Bb	B Cb	C B#	C# Db	D	D# Eb	E Fb	F E#	F# Gb	G	G# Ab	A

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C  
B#

Middle C on a Piano