



How to Transpose Ukulele Chords

Standard & Baritone

TRANSPOSING EXAMPLE

Starting Key: C Target Key: D

Number assignment: I - ii - iii - IV - V - vi - vii

Starting Key Chords: C - Dm - Em - F - G - Am - Bdim

Target Key Chords: D - Em - F#m - G - A - Bm - C#dim

Transposition: C → D = Raised by 1 whole step

Progression in C: I - vi - V - IV = C - Am - G - F

Transposed to D: I - vi - V - IV = D - Bm - A - G

Starting Key: C Target Key: Db

Number assignment: I - ii - iii - IV - V - vi - vii

Starting Key Chords: C - Dm - Em - F - G - Am - Bdim

Target Key Chords: Db - Ebm - Fm - Gb - Ab - Bbm - Cdim

Transposition: C → Db = Raised by 1 half step

Progression in C: I - vi - V - IV = C - Am - G - F

Transposed to Db: I - vi - V - IV = Db - Bbm - Ab - Gb

QUIZ:

- Use the transposing rules and procedure discussed in the video to complete the following exercises. Use the DDUUDU strumming pattern and challenge yourself to learn some new chords along the way, maybe a few barre chords too :)

a/Transpose (Key of C): Raise by 1 whole step

C (2x) - Am (2x) - G (2x) - F (2x)

_____ - _____ - _____ - _____

b/ Transpose (Key of D): Raise by 1 half step

D (2x) - A (2x) - Bm (2x) - G (2x)

_____ - _____ - _____ - _____

c/Transpose (Key of F#): Lower by 1 whole step

F# (2x) - D#m (2x) - B (2x) - G#m (2x)

_____ - _____ - _____ - _____

d/Transpose (Key of F): Lower by 2 whole steps

F (2x) - Dm (2x) - Bb (2x) - C (2x)

_____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Answers:

- a. Key of D : D - Bm - A - G
- b. Key of Eb: Eb - Bb - Cm - Ab
- c. Key of E : E - C#m - A - F#m
- d. Key of Db: Db - Bbm - Gb - Ab

Resources: [Key Chord Chart](#) | [Chord Charts](#)