



# Choosing Strumming Patterns for Songs **DAY 2 (3/4 Time)**

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## **Strum Patterns to apply:**

**1 - & - 2 - & - 3 - &**

D - U - D - U - D - U

**1 - & - 2 - & - 3 - &**

D - D - D - D - D - D

**1 - & - 2 - & - 3 - &**

D        D - U - D - U

**Genres: R&B, Ballads, Country, Waltzes**

## **Try patterns with these songs:**

My Favorite Things (Rodgers/Hammerstein)

Perfect (Ed Sheeran)

Can't Help Falling in Love (Elvis)

Lucy in the Sky (Beatles)

Piano Man (Billy Joel)

Mr. Bojangles, Times They Are a Changin' (Bob Dylan)

Scarborough Fair (Simon & Garfunkel)

## **Notes/Procedure/Tips:**

\*Remember to count into a song **1, 2, 3** for the 3/4 time signature.

\*Try practicing these patterns with your metronome set in 3/4 time while counting/tapping along.

\*When using sheet music, a strumming pattern will be played one time for each measure, unless the measure has more than one chord within it. See: Favorite Things example.

## **Practice Exercises: (D - D - U - D - U)**

- 1.** C (4x) - Em (4x) - F (4x) - C (4x)
- 2.** Am (2x) - D (2x) - Am (2x) - C (2x)
- 3.** C (2x) - Cmaj7 (2x) - C7 (2x) - F (2x)
- 4.** G (1x) - D (1x) - F (1x) - C (1x)