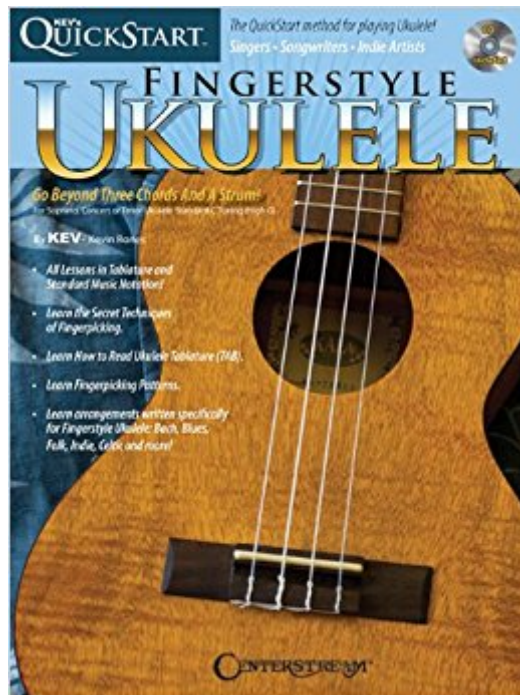




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Kev's Quickstart For Fingerstyle Ukulele (Book/Cd)



Synopsis

(Fretted). Combining picking patterns, chord strumming & melody lines for interesting and fun arrangements, fingerstyle ukulele has become popular with indie artists and emerging solo uke players around the world. This new book will help anyone move beyond three chords and a strum! Kev covers techniques and patterns, tablature, music reading and much more, with arrangements written specifically for fingerstyle uke in styles ranging from Celtic to classical! Perfect for uke newbies, guitarists ready to take on a new instrument, and singer-songwriters looking to expand their horizons.

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Customer Reviews

I bought this book because I wanted a head start on taking a class taught locally by Kev Rones, in San Diego. I took up the guitar about 2 years ago, I have been mostly self taught, with a couple of lessons here and there. I have seen many lesson book and have determined that I as the student have the responsibility to practice and study, and that simply having the latest and greatest book is not the answer to all our problems. For Christmas my Sister brought me a Ukulele from her trip to Hawaii. I was and am fascinated by the Ukulele. I see lots of skills that transfer. Having said all this, this book and the CD is very well thought out and has help me in my playing and Finger-picking, for both instruments. I am taking my time and look forward to taking a class with Kev next month.

I haven't used the CD yet so I can't rate that. But the book itself is really great. I started playing the

uke about a year ago, and was getting really tired of just chords. This book is great for a beginning to fingerstyle. Easy to learn with a great layout that includes tip bubbles and pictures. I'd definitely recommend this for first timers, or even those that already know a bit, because it gets progressively harder with pretty good lil tunes. The songs get tricky, but that's all part of the fun of learning

I have played the uke for about a year, and was interested in learning some fingerstyle ukulele. KEV is a well known local guitar and ukulele teacher, so this seemed like a good bet. It didn't disappoint - the book is excellent. Beginners will benefit greatly from his easy to understand basics, and progress into the more difficult techniques, such as plucking, rhythm, hammer-on, pull-off, slides, and the like. Intermediate uke players will love the fingerstyle alternative to just strumming a tune, and will find the book challenging enough to keep them more than interested. The structure of the book is solid, with the exercises easy to understand and follow, and the songs are varied and fun to learn and play. If you work/play through this book, you will be a very different, and much better, ukulele player.

As a beginner this is what I was looking for in self instruction. High five!

I am a beginner and find that even I can follow the techniques presented in this book. The tunes are delightful, but take a bit of time to master.

A good introduction to finger-picking. Strumming chords loses the melody in the mish-mash. Fingerpicking is easy and sounds so much better, especially when a full-chord strum is inserted at the right place to complete the sound. Kev is a fabulous player and his teaching is geared to us lesser mortals in a way not common to that passed on by most experts.

for me it was not advanced enough--someone else might give it five stars for the level they require, more beginner--i thought it would have more advanced styles, as i pretty much already knew what was in the book..but was clearly presented

I find Kev's ukulele instructions most effective. I appreciate the way he makes ukulele playing easy to understand and easy to follow since I am a beginner. The enclosed CD demonstrates Kev's extensive instrument teaching skills - the content is efficient, clear and down to the point. It is as if this distinguished fingerstyle world championship participant gives you ukulele lessons one-on-one.

Great job, Kev!!!

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