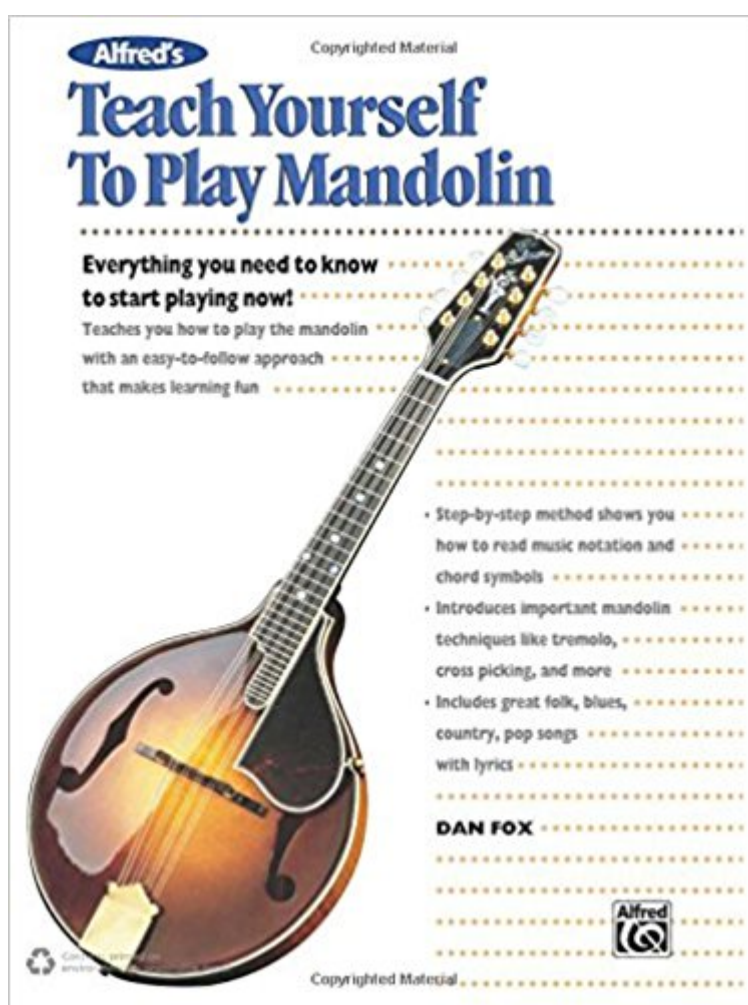


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Alfred's Teach Yourself To Play Mandolin: Everything You Need To Know To Start Playing Now! (Teach Yourself Series)



Synopsis

Learn to play mandolin and open up a brand new world of musical knowledge with this exciting method from Alfred. Beginners of all ages can start their journey to a lifetime of musical enjoyment. Beginning with the fundamentals, you will learn about the history of the mandolin, its components, picks, how to tune it, and getting acquainted with standard musical notation. You will then move right along to playing different notes, scales, and songs, lesson by lesson, all while continuing to increase your ever-growing knowledge of reading and understanding standard musical notation. You will learn important mandolin techniques such as tremolo, cross picking, and more. Upon completion of the book, you will be able to play your favorite songs on the mandolin, know how to read music, and play with a musical group in many different styles, including folk, blues, country, and even pop. The book features the following resources for reference during and after your lessons: * Mandolin accompaniments* Mandolin chord dictionary* Mandolin fingering chartBe your own teacher, and let Alfred be your resource every step of the way.

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Customer Reviews

This is an ok book. It does start assuming you know no music. My only major complaint is many of the songs featured are not "traditional" music for a mandolin and I'd you don't know them they can be hard. I would have preferred only folk, Irish, country or classical music in the book. Not 19th and 20th century American tunes.

I ordered this for my 30 year old son for Christmas. He always wanted one since he was a child. He was extatic when he saw it. That was in 2013. He said it was "backwards" from the guitar but since he could play the guitar, he was able to teach himself to play the mandolin. He unexpectedly passed away March 2016. My husband has it now and said the something Eddie said, "its backwards" but he plays the guitar and is picking it up pretty fast. I highly recommend this product for beginners. Its a beautiful, well made instrument. I would order from this seller again. I know I'm late writing a review but to be honest, we've been through a lot in the past 3 years and forgot until my husband asked me a few minutes ago if I ever wrote one. Attached is a photo of my son, Eddie, right after he opened it Christmas 2013.

At first, it was odd to not learn the strings as I thought it should follow; however, as I followed the book, it made better sense. It is a really good beginner's book - not only learning the mandolin but how to read music as well as the exercises. I will be using this book for a while as I learn to play the mandolin. Why did I give it only 4-stars? For me, 5-stars is reserved for absolute perfection and I do not have the expertise in the field.

I chose this book because I have used Alfred teaching materials for years. I am a piano teacher who picked up a mandolin for the first time not long ago as a second instrument. I knew I wouldn't go wrong with an Alfred book and I have been very pleased with it for myself and my students.

The book references the CD tracks to listen to so that you understand what you are trying to learn. For a beginner like me, that is essential. Why isn't the CD included with the book? I could not teach myself to play mandolin by relying on this book. I am taking lessons, and my teacher had me purchase Play Mandolin Today by Hal-Leonard. It has a CD included with the book. It's a good book. I'm really disappointed with this purchase. If it came with a CD it would be a great book, as it covers a lot of content.

This is a good instruction book. I was using it until my mandolin broke. I will continue using it when I get it replaced.

Use and learning from this book on a daily basis! Excellent for beginners like me.

The book is very informative and good. It DOES NOT include the CD/DVD with this one, you have to order a different book that spells it out there is a CD/DVD with it. Also, this book does not contain tabs for beginners. One must know how to read music to use this book.

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