

BASIC STRUMMING

TIME SIGNATURES - $\frac{4}{4}$ = 4 beats per measure
 $\frac{4}{4}$ - Quarter note = 1 beat

$\frac{3}{4}$ = 3 beats per measure
 $\frac{4}{4}$ = Quarter note = 1 beat

Quarter note Half note = 2 quarter notes Whole note = 4 quarter notes

eight note = $\frac{1}{2}$ quarter note - you will often see 2 eighth notes together =

1 measure = notes between 2 vertical lines

SOME BASIC STRUMS (Arrow shows direction of strum)

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