

Classic Blues Shuffle in G

#TenThumbsBluesChallenge - Day 3



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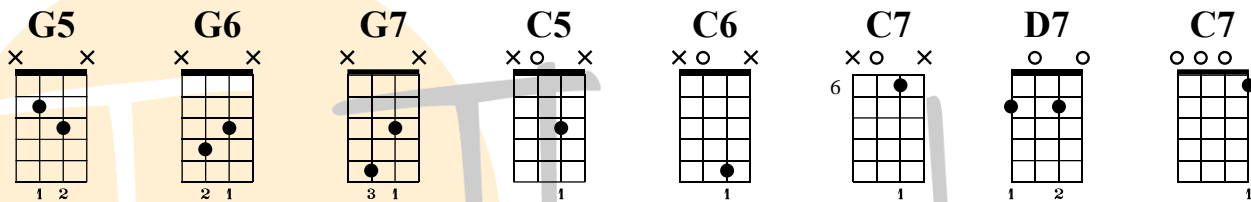
Key: G

Harmony needed: G5, G6, G7, C5, C6, C7, D7

BPM: Any (Slow is better learning)

Video Tutorial: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yXr8G3DQVqQ>

Chord Shapes:



The chord progression review, this is the same progression for the entire challenge

Each / represents one beat in 4/4 time

|G7 //// |G7 //// |G7 //// |G7 ////
|C7 //// |C7 //// |G7 //// |G7 ////
|D7 //// |C7 //// |G7 //// |D7 ////

One strum pattern is equal to one measure. That means four measures are four strum patterns. What we are doing is replacing these strum patterns with a shuffle, which is a type of rhythm that isn't quite fingerpicking, but it isn't strumming either.

The G7 Shuffle - This is one measure, this replaces one strum pattern

G Shuffle

G5 G6 G5 G6

T	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
A	2	2	4	4	2	2	4
B	2	2	4	4	2	2	4

You can take the shuffle on note further if you want and it looks like this.

G Shuffle with optional b7th

G5 G6 G7 G6

The first four measures would like this.

The next step is looking at a shuffle for the C chord.

C Shuffle

C5 C6 C5 C6

We can also take this to the b7th like this

C Shuffle with b7th extension

C5 C6 C7 C6

Bars 5 through 8 are two of C7 and two of G7, when applying the shuffle these measures look like this.

C5 C6 C5 C6 C5 C6 C5 C6 G5 G6 G5 G6 G5 G6 G5 G6

T	3 3 5 5 3 3 5 5	3 3 5 5 3 3 5 5	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3
A	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	2 2 4 4 2 2 4 4	2 2 4 4 2 2 4 4
B				

How to practice all of this.

- Warm up and strum through the 12 bar with the turnaround from Day 2
- Practice the G shuffle alone, you can play with the G7 or without it. It is a little harder to play, but it is also a little easier to count in my opinion.
- Once you feel confident with that practice the C shuffle by itself.
- Once you can play through the 12 bar with the turnaround with confidence, and do the shuffle with G and the C, it is time to put it all together.

Full 12 bar with 5 6 shuffle and turnaround

G5 G6 G5 G6 G5 G6 G5 G6 G5 G6 G5 G6 G5 G6 G5 G6

T	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3
A	2 2 4 4 2 2 4 4	2 2 4 4 2 2 4 4	2 2 4 4 2 2 4 4	2 2 4 4 2 2 4 4
B				

C5 C6 C5 C6 C5 C6 C5 C6 G5 G6 G5 G6 G5 G6 G5 G6

T	3 3 5 5 3 3 5 5	3 3 5 5 3 3 5 5	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3
A	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	2 2 4 4 2 2 4 4	2 2 4 4 2 2 4 4
B				

D7 C7 G7 D7

T	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	1 1 1 1 1 1 1	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0
A	2 2 2 2 2 2 2	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0
B	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 5 5 4 4 3 3	2 0 1 2
B	2 2 2 2 2 2 2	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Full 12 bar with the 5 6 7 shuffle and turnaround, you can use either 12 bar to participate.

G5 G6 G7 G6 G5 G6 G7 G6 G5 G6 G7 G6 G5 G6 G7 G6

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T	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
B	2	2	4	4	5	5	4	4	2	2	4	4	5	5	4	4	2	2	4	4	5	5	4	4	2	2	4	4	5	5	4	4

C5 C6 C7 C6 C5 C6 C7 C6 G5 G6 G7 G6 G5 G6 G7 G6

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T	3	3	5	5	6	6	5	5	3	3	5	5	6	6	5	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
B	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	4	4	5	5	4	4	2	2	4	4	5	5	4	4

D7 C7 G7 D7

7 8 9 10

T	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	4	4	3	3	2	0	1	2
B	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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