

# Practical Chords & Harmony: a Player's Guide

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## Minor Scales

These are the **minor key signatures** that use **sharps**.



There are three different types of minor scales: **NATURAL - HARMONIC - MELODIC**

**NATURAL MINOR:** just follow the key signature - no added sharps or flats

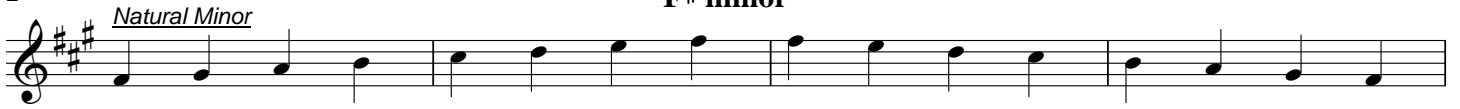
**HARMONIC MINOR:** raise the 7th scale degree ascending and descending

**MELODIC MINOR:** raise the 6th and 7th scale degrees when ascending, and lower (as per key signature) when descending.



### F# minor

*Natural Minor*



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The scale consists of eight quarter notes: F#, G#, A, B, C, D, E, F#.

*Harmonic Minor*



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps. The scale consists of eight quarter notes: F#, G#, A, B, C, D, E, F# with a natural sign over the final F#.

*Melodic Minor*



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps. The scale consists of eight quarter notes: F#, G#, A, B, C, D, E, F# with a natural sign over the final F#.

### C# minor

*Natural Minor*



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of four sharps (F#, C#, G#, D#). The scale consists of eight quarter notes: C#, D#, E, F#, G, A, B, C#.

*Harmonic Minor*



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of four sharps. The scale consists of eight quarter notes: C#, D#, E, F#, G, A, B, C# with a natural sign over the final C#.

*Melodic Minor*



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of four sharps. The scale consists of eight quarter notes: C#, D#, E, F#, G, A, B, C# with a natural sign over the final C#.

### G# minor

*Natural Minor*



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of five sharps (F#, C#, G#, D#, A#). The scale consists of eight quarter notes: G#, A#, B, C, D, E, F, G#.

*Harmonic Minor*



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of five sharps. The scale consists of eight quarter notes: G#, A#, B, C, D, E, F, G# with a natural sign over the final G#.

*Melodic Minor*



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of five sharps. The scale consists of eight quarter notes: G#, A#, B, C, D, E, F, G# with a natural sign over the final G#.

### D# minor

*Natural Minor*



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of six sharps (F#, C#, G#, D#, A#, E#). The scale consists of eight quarter notes: D#, E#, F, G, A, B, C, D#.

*Harmonic Minor*



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of six sharps. The scale consists of eight quarter notes: D#, E#, F, G, A, B, C, D# with a natural sign over the final D#.

*Melodic Minor*



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of six sharps. The scale consists of eight quarter notes: D#, E#, F, G, A, B, C, D# with a natural sign over the final D#.

# A# minor

*Natural Minor*

*Harmonic Minor*

*Melodic Minor*

These are the minor key signatures that use flats.

Am      Dm      Gm      Cm      Fm      Bbm      Gbm      Cbm

# D minor

*Natural Minor*

*Harmonic Minor*

*Melodic Minor*

# G minor

*Natural Minor*

*Harmonic Minor*

*Melodic Minor*

# C minor

*Natural Minor*

*Harmonic Minor*

*Melodic Minor*

*Natural Minor*

**F minor**

Musical staff showing the F minor Natural Minor scale in treble clef. The notes are: F, G, A, Bb, C, D, Eb, F.

*Harmonic Minor*

Musical staff showing the F minor Harmonic Minor scale in treble clef. The notes are: F, G, A, Bb, C, D, Eb, F.

*Melodic Minor*

Musical staff showing the F minor Melodic Minor scale in treble clef. The notes are: F, G, A, Bb, C, D, Eb, F.

*Natural Minor*

**B<sup>b</sup> minor**

Musical staff showing the B<sup>b</sup> minor Natural Minor scale in treble clef. The notes are: Bb, C, D, Eb, F, G, Ab, Bb.

*Harmonic Minor*

Musical staff showing the B<sup>b</sup> minor Harmonic Minor scale in treble clef. The notes are: Bb, C, D, Eb, F, G, Ab, Bb.

*Melodic Minor*

Musical staff showing the B<sup>b</sup> minor Melodic Minor scale in treble clef. The notes are: Bb, C, D, Eb, F, G, Ab, Bb.

*Natural Minor*

**E<sup>b</sup> minor**

Musical staff showing the E<sup>b</sup> minor Natural Minor scale in treble clef. The notes are: Eb, F, G, Ab, Bb, C, Db, Eb.

*Harmonic Minor*

Musical staff showing the E<sup>b</sup> minor Harmonic Minor scale in treble clef. The notes are: Eb, F, G, Ab, Bb, C, Db, Eb.

*Melodic Minor*

Musical staff showing the E<sup>b</sup> minor Melodic Minor scale in treble clef. The notes are: Eb, F, G, Ab, Bb, C, Db, Eb.

*Natural Minor*

**A<sup>b</sup> minor**

Musical staff showing the A<sup>b</sup> minor Natural Minor scale in treble clef. The notes are: Ab, Bb, C, Db, Eb, F, Gb, Ab.

*Harmonic Minor*

Musical staff showing the A<sup>b</sup> minor Harmonic Minor scale in treble clef. The notes are: Ab, Bb, C, Db, Eb, F, Gb, Ab.

*Melodic Minor*

Musical staff showing the A<sup>b</sup> minor Melodic Minor scale in treble clef. The notes are: Ab, Bb, C, Db, Eb, F, Gb, Ab.