

# Tango for Chromatic Harmonica: A Comprehensive Guide by Dave Brown



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Immerse yourself in the captivating world of Tango music with this comprehensive guide to playing Tango on the chromatic harmonica. Acclaimed harmonica virtuoso and educator Dave Brown shares his expertise, empowering you to master the techniques, rhythms, ornaments, and repertoire that define this enchanting genre.

## Chapter 1: Techniques for Tango Harmonica

\* **The Diatonic Scale:** A foundation for creating authentic tango melodies and improvisations. \* **Chromatic Runs:** Seamlessly connect notes across different octaves, adding flair to your playing. \* **Bending Notes:** Manipulate the pitch of notes to create expressive and captivating sounds. \* **Slap Tonguing:** Percussive technique used to accentuate rhythms and add rhythmic variety.

## Chapter 2: Essential Tango Rhythms

\* **2/4 Time:** The most common time signature in tango, featuring two beats per measure. \* **4/4 Time:** A variation of 2/4, with four beats per measure, allowing for more complex rhythms. \* **Syncopated Rhythms:** Offbeat accents create the characteristic rhythmic drive of tango. \* **Milonguero Rhythms:** A distinctive 2/4 variation with a strong emphasis on the second beat.

## Chapter 3: Ornaments: The Art of Tango Decoration

\* **Trills:** Rapid alternation between two adjacent notes, adding embellishment and expression. \* **Vibrato:** Subtle oscillation in pitch, creating a warm and emotive sound. \* **Mordents:** Ornamentation consisting of a quick grace note followed by the main note. \* **Glissandos:** Smooth slides between notes, adding a sense of movement and fluidity.

## Chapter 4: A Repertoire of Tangos for Chromatic Harmonica

\* **La Cumparsita:** The quintessential tango, known for its haunting melody and rhythmic drive. \* **El Choclo:** A classic tango with a catchy melody and syncopated rhythms. \* **Por Una Cabeza:** A famous tango from the film "Scent of a Woman," featuring a beautiful and evocative melody. \* **Adiós Nonino:** A poignant tango composed by Astor Piazzolla, expressing a deep sense of nostalgia.

## Chapter 5: Performance Techniques and Tips

\* **Stage Presence:** Capturing the audience's attention and creating an immersive experience. \* **Interpretation:** Understanding the emotions and storytelling behind each tango piece. \* **Dynamics and Control:** Varying the volume and articulation to enhance musical expression. \* **Improvisation:**

Creating spontaneous melodies and solos within the harmonic framework of tango.

Dave Brown's Comprehensive Guide to Tango for Chromatic Harmonica empowers you to master this captivating genre, mastering the techniques, rhythms, ornaments, and repertoire that make tango music so enchanting. Embrace the tango spirit, delve into its rich history, and captivate audiences with your mesmerizing performances.



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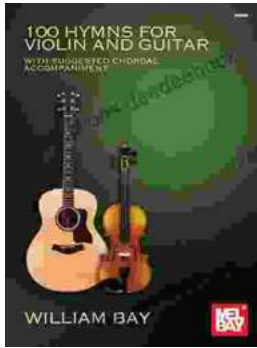
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