

# Six Easy Tabs for Clawhammer Banjo in the Key of G

Embark on a musical journey into the captivating world of clawhammer banjo with these six accessible tabs meticulously curated for beginners in the key of G. Clawhammer banjo, an intrinsic part of American folk and traditional music, is characterized by its distinctive "frailing" technique that combines powerful downstrokes and intricate thumb patterns.



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Fret not if you're new to the banjo or clawhammer style; these tabs have been crafted with simplicity and clarity at their core. Each tab provides step-by-step instructions, detailed chord diagrams, and rhythmic notation, enabling you to start strumming and frailing right away.

### Tab 1: "Cripple Creek"

The image displays a banjo tablature for the song "Cripple Creek". At the top, three chord diagrams are shown for Amaj, Dmaj, and E7. The main body of the image consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a 2/4 time signature and includes chords Amaj, Dmaj, Amaj, E7, and Amaj. The second staff continues the progression with Dmaj, E7, Amaj, and Amaj. The third staff concludes with E7 and Amaj. The tablature uses numbers 0-5 to indicate fret positions on the strings, with various rhythmic notations such as eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. A watermark "ebook.mamanbook.com" is visible across the middle of the page.

Begin your clawhammer adventure with the timeless classic "Cripple Creek." This cheerful tune, often associated with old-time fiddle tunes, features a simple chord progression and a captivating syncopated rhythm. The tab will guide you through the fundamental frailing pattern, providing a solid foundation for your banjo journey.

**Tab 2: "Old Joe Clark"**

"Old Joe Clark" is another quintessential clawhammer piece, celebrated for its infectious energy and storytelling lyrics. This tab introduces you to the "double thumb" technique, a staple of clawhammer banjo playing that adds a percussive flair to your melodies. Embrace the rhythmic groove and let the music flow.

### Tab 3: "Shady Grove"

## SHADY GROVE in Dm7 Tuning

"Brad's Dm7 Tuning" (FDACD)

Arranged by Bradley Laird

Version 1

Musical notation for Version 1 of "Shady Grove" in Dm7 Tuning (FDACD). The notation is presented on two staves. The first staff contains the first four measures of the melody, with fingerings indicated by numbers 1-3 and 4-5. The second staff contains the next four measures, including a double bar line at the end. A large watermark "ebook.mamanbook.com" is overlaid diagonally across the page.

Version 2

Musical notation for Version 2 of "Shady Grove" in Dm7 Tuning (FDACD). The notation is presented on two staves. The first staff contains the first four measures of the melody, with fingerings indicated by numbers 1-3 and 4-5. The second staff contains the next four measures, including a double bar line at the end. A large watermark "ebook.mamanbook.com" is overlaid diagonally across the page.

Step into the enchanting realm of "Shady Grove," a beautiful and haunting Appalachian folk song. The tab unveils a serene melody and gentle frailing pattern, inviting you to explore the expressive range of the clawhammer style. Let the music transport you to a tranquil mountainside, where melodies weave tales of love and longing.

**Tab 4: "Sally Ann"**

Get ready for some toe-tapping fun with "Sally Ann," a lively and upbeat tune that will have you dancing in no time. The tab guides you through energetic frailing patterns and a catchy melody, showcasing the versatility and rhythmic drive of clawhammer banjo.

**Tab 5: "Arkansas Traveler"**

D Maj G Maj A Maj D Maj A Maj D Maj A Maj D Maj G Maj A Maj D Maj  
 A Maj D Maj A Maj D Maj G Maj D Maj A Maj D Maj A Maj  
 D Maj A Maj D Maj G Maj D Maj A Maj A Maj D Maj  
 D Maj A Maj D Maj A Maj D Maj G Maj D Maj A Maj

Embark on a musical journey through the heart of the Ozarks with "Arkansas Traveler." This iconic folk song features a haunting melody and a driving frailing pattern that will transport you to the banks of the Mississippi River. Let the tab lead you through the intricate fingerpicking and experience the raw beauty of traditional American music.

**Tab 6: "John Hardy"**

# John Hardy

Traditional

Key of G  
4/4 time  
Slow

A Banjo Break

Slow 1/2 = 60 (♩ = 60)

The image shows a musical score for the song 'John Hardy'. It includes a title, key signature (G major), time signature (4/4), and tempo marking (Slow). A section labeled 'A Banjo Break' is highlighted with a box. The notation consists of a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in a style typical of clawhammer banjo playing, with a steady eighth-note accompaniment. The score includes a 'Banjo Break' section marked with a box and the letter 'A'. The tempo is marked 'Slow' with a metronome marking of 60 beats per minute. The key signature is G major, and the time signature is 4/4. The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and bar lines. There are also some faint watermarks in the background that read 'ebook.mamanbook.com'.

Conclude your clawhammer exploration with the poignant ballad "John Hardy." This powerful song tells the tale of a tragic love affair and features a haunting melody and a steady frailing pattern. The tab provides a detailed roadmap, allowing you to delve into the emotional depths of this American folk classic.

Congratulations! You have successfully navigated these six easy clawhammer banjo tabs and gained a solid foundation in this captivating musical style. Remember, practice is the key to mastering the banjo, so keep at it and enjoy the journey. As you progress, explore additional tabs, experiment with different tunings, and immerse yourself in the rich history and culture of clawhammer banjo.



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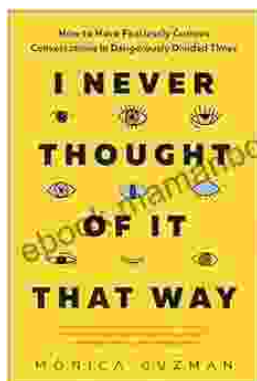
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