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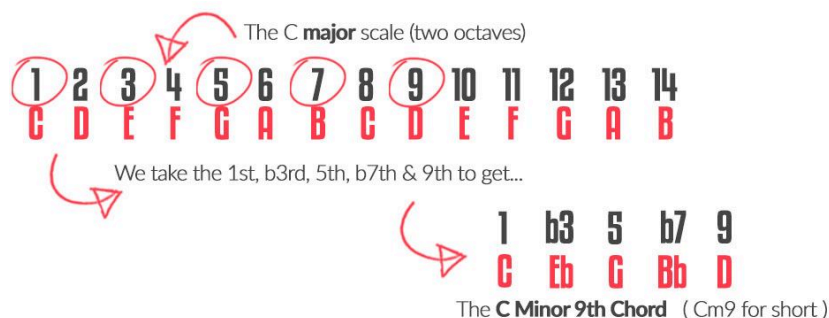
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Minor 9th

In the case of a minor 9th chord you simply take your minor triad (1st, b3rd, 5th) add the b7th (to create the m7 chord), and then the 9th. It is the addition of the 9th that changes the vibe of the chord to an even more relaxed sounding chord. Here is the formula applied to C major:



Minor 9th Shape

To put this into practice on the guitar, in the fretboard diagrams are two common Cm9 chord shapes. Notice the notes you are playing and try to call each one out in theoretical terms (i.e. the 1st, 5th etc...). Also notice that we don't necessarily include the 5th in the chord, that is something we will explain fully later on.

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9th chords take chord construction to the next level, as we potentially get into the world of 5 note chords.

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