

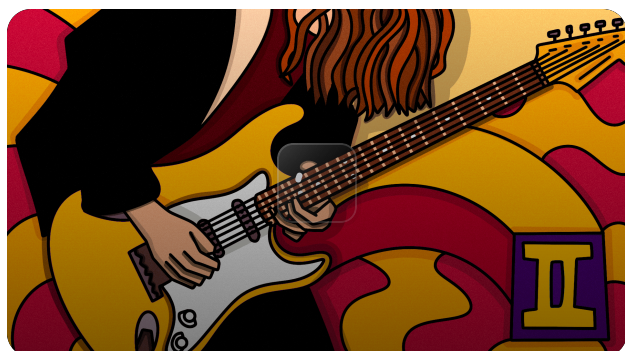
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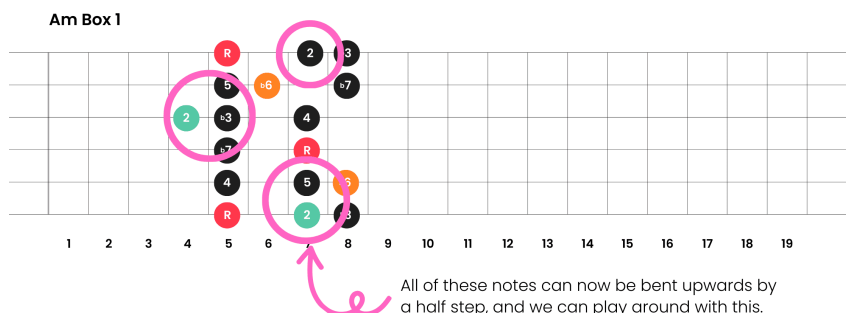
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Half Step Bends

In the pentatonic scale, the smallest interval between notes is a tone, or two frets, so when we bend notes, we are bending up one tone. With our full scale, we now have notes that are a semitone, or one fret, apart so now we must master the semitone bend. Here is a diagram of the notes you can easily bend a semitone (one fret) up:



I would highly encourage you to start practising these bends over all kinds of backing tracks. It can take a while to really pitch a half bend, so the best way to practise is with the backing tracks. A good approach is to play the note that you are trying to bend to, then return to the first note and bend it up to that sound. Also, try to use all four fingers when practising to make sure you can do a half bend in any circumstance with any finger. Have some fun with it!

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We will be continuing where we left off by taking the scale shapes and applying half step bends and learning a really challenging solo. The solo will take most of this section of the course as it is very tricky, so take your time with it and have fun!

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Pitching the half step bend can take a bit of time, but gradually you can find the muscle memory learns roughly how high to go, then your ears do the rest. That's why working with backing tracks really helps!

Dan

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