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LEGATO (Essentials 7.1)

Hammer-ons and Pull-offs

LESSON NOTES

Aside from picking everything, playing single notes on the guitar can be done with legato. Legato means: to play smoothly, with little or no silence between notes. In the context of guitar it has come to refer to a set of techniques that achieve this sound. Sometimes these techniques are also called slurs, the main ones are:

Hammer-ons, pull-offs and slides.

This lesson looks at the movement associated with hammer-ons and pull-offs. Once the basic movements of these two legato techniques are mastered, the lesson moves on to trills (rapidly moving between two pitches) which are a great way to improve the dexterity and endurance of your fingers-via legato.

Points covered:

- How to Hammer-on
- How to Pull-off
- Trills