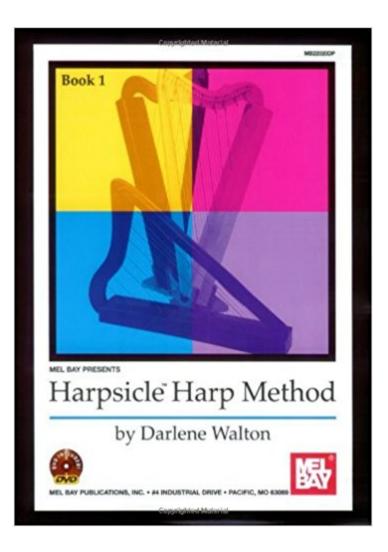
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Harpsicle Harp Method, Book 1





Synopsis

The Harpsicle® Harp method book is an excellent tool for learning to play the Harpsicle® Harp or any size harp from the very beginning. No musical knowledge is necessary to use this method. All the music is written in the keys of C Major and A minor, so no sharping levers or pedals are needed. The guitar chords are displayed above the staff, so the students can add to the written music, or other instruments can accompany the harp. The music is graduated from two fingers to playing with both hands. The music is labeled to allow the students to gradually learn the notes and fingering without stress or frustration. The method contains lessons on the parts of the harp, tuning, stringing, and taking care of your instrument. Also included in the method are reading music, time signatures and counting, placing and bracketing, finger drills, and much more. There are also eighteen songs, starting from very easy and continuing to add to the music, as the student progresses. All songs have labeled notes, to help the students learn notes and fingering. A DVD compliments the book, and follows up the written instructions, with video footage, so the student can visually see the method.

Book Information

Paperback: 28 pages Publisher: Mel Bay Publications, Inc.; Pap/DVD edition (June 29, 2009) Language: English ISBN-10: 0786681500 ISBN-13: 978-0786681501 Product Dimensions: 0.2 x 8.8 x 12 inches Shipping Weight: 3.2 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 3.9 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (7 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #251,191 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #118 in Books > Arts & Photography > Music > Musical Genres > Folk & Traditional #2036 in Books > Arts & Photography > Music > Theory, Composition & Performance > Instruction & Study #3373 in Books > Arts & Photography > Music > Instruments

Customer Reviews

Now, I did have to wait a few weeks for this product; I think because it was a fairly new product! However, it was quite worth it for our purposes! There's a lot of good information in this book, and it is most especially helpful to those who are new to the harp and those who have purchased a new Harpsicle / Sharpsicle harp. This introductory book provides an engaging overall all look at how to play and maintain the Harpsicle style harp, 26 Strings. For some students, this book may move a bit fast content-wise, so the DVD included is helpful because it offers meaningful visuals, allowing the learning to see and study what's being offered in the text. Even with the DVD, some individuals might benefit from a slower pace and perhaps the guidance of a human teacher (live not recorded!) :) [Did you know you can take harp lessons on the Internet via Skype?] Students with no past music training may wish to supplement this book along with other resources such as Mel Bay's Basic Harp for Beginners or the beginners' books produced by Sylvia Wood or by Christina Tourin.The Harpsicle Harp Method Book 1 is easy to read, and the fonts are of a good size and dark, which is nice for eyeglass wearers. The following sections are within the book, and the DVD follows a similar sequence:The Harpsicle Harp (An Introduction) // (See Harps being made!)Taking Care of Your Harp: TuningHolding Your Harp (And Using the Harpsicle Stick for balance // (Sticks are most helpful if you are sitting!

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