MTB Grade 6 Cello



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(See MTB Cello Scale Bowing Patterns)

Metronome marks can be found on the next page. All tempi given are minimum speeds.

Scales

C major Three octaves
Db major Two octaves
E harmonic minor Two octaves
C melodic minor Three octaves

Arpeggios

C major Three octaves
Db major Two octaves
C minor Three octaves

Bowing

Scales: Play each scale with long tonics. Separate and slurred two bows per octave.

Arpeggios: separate even and slurred in threes.

(See MTB Cello Scale bowing patterns)

Chromatic Scale

Starting on open 'C' Three octaves

Bowing: separate and slurred four notes to a bow.

Dominant 7th

In B major Two octaves
Bowing: separate and slurred four notes to a bow.

Diminished 7th

Starting on open 'G' Two octaves

Bowing: separate and slurred four notes to a bow.

Double stopping

Tetrachord in 6ths in C major

(see MTB Scale Examples Grades 6-8)

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