



# **COUNTRY STYLE OVERVIEW**



## PRACTICE

Find a practice schedule that works for you. Choose a time every day or at least three times a week that you can block off for practice. Let your family know :) Everyone moves at a different pace so take your time and allow your hands to learn these new skills. **Repetition over time** is your secret weapon. Do the movements while watching a movie...create muscle memory!

## CHOPS “SKILL”

Throughout the curriculum you will see different buttons displayed. These will indicate which skill or skills are being developed during the following lessons. Below is a brief description of each ear development skill. For more information about these you can request our “How to Play Piano by Ear” booklet by emailing: [mail@pianochops.com](mailto:mail@pianochops.com)



THE  
BASICS



SONG & CHORD  
PROGRESSIONS



COOL  
TRICKS



ROLE OF  
HANDS



DIFFERENT  
STYLES



MUSIC  
THEORY



LEARN  
CHORDS



SWEET  
PATTERNS



\*Checkpoints can be divided into daily, weekly or monthly lessons. Choose a speed that works for you.



## Checkpoint 1 – Keys and Groove

There are common keys and a groove to play country songs in. You may have to change keys...if your lead singer is a "DIVA"!

- \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Country Keys (1 video)
- \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Country Groove (1 video)

## Checkpoint 2 – Pentatonic Scale and Solo Tips

These patterns and tricks will give you the correct country sound for fills and soloing.

- \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Pentatonic Scale (1 video)
- \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Solo Tips (1 video)

## Checkpoint 3 – Octave Trick and Left Hand

Two more great tips on sounding country. Start incorporating these into your playing right now!

- \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Add the Octave (1 video)
- \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Country Left Hand (1 video)

\*You'll see these tricks and patterns come alive when you start to play through the "In The Style" songs. Git 'er done!

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