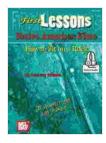
## First Lessons: Native American Flute



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The Native American flute is a beautiful and haunting instrument. Its sound can evoke images of rolling hills, wide-open prairies, and starry nights. If you've ever wanted to learn to play the Native American flute, now is your chance. With this comprehensive guide, you'll learn everything you need to know to get started, from choosing the right flute to playing your first notes.

### **Choosing the Right Flute**

The first step in learning to play the Native American flute is to choose the right flute. There are many different types of flutes available, so it's important to do your research and find one that's right for you. Consider the following factors when choosing a flute:

Key: The key of a flute determines the range of notes that it can play.
Some keys are more popular than others, so it's important to choose a key that's common for the type of music you want to play.

- Size: Flutes come in a variety of sizes. The size of the flute will affect the sound and the range of notes that it can play. Larger flutes tend to have a lower pitch and a wider range of notes, while smaller flutes tend to have a higher pitch and a narrower range of notes.
- Material: Flutes can be made from a variety of materials, including wood, bamboo, and PVC. The material of the flute will affect its sound and durability. Wood flutes tend to have a warmer sound, while bamboo flutes tend to have a brighter sound. PVC flutes are less expensive than wood or bamboo flutes, but they may not be as durable.

#### **Playing Your First Notes**

Once you've chosen a flute, you're ready to start playing. The first step is to learn how to hold the flute. Hold the flute with your left hand, with your thumb on the back of the flute and your fingers on the front. Your right hand should be placed over the top of the flute, with your thumb on the thumb rest and your fingers on the tone holes.

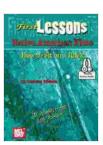
To play a note, simply blow across the top of the flute. The pitch of the note will depend on the position of your fingers on the tone holes. To play a higher note, move your fingers closer to the mouthpiece. To play a lower note, move your fingers away from the mouthpiece.

#### **Learning to Play Songs**

Once you've mastered the basics of playing the Native American flute, you can start learning to play songs. There are many different books and online resources that can teach you how to play specific songs. You can also find many traditional Native American songs online.

When you're learning to play a song, it's important to start slowly and gradually increase your speed. It's also important to practice regularly. The more you practice, the better you'll become at playing the Native American flute.

Learning to play the Native American flute is a rewarding experience. With a little practice, you can learn to play beautiful and haunting music. So what are you waiting for? Get started today!



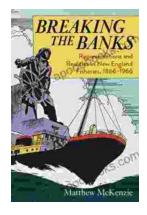
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