

**Beginner bass rhythm patterns**

1. Use alternating strokes to pluck a pair of eighth notes. Accent beat one to tie in with the bass drum

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i i i i m

2. Rhythm variation with a pair of eighth notes on beat two

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i i m i m

**Intermediate bass rhythm patterns**

1. Syncopated (off beat) rhythm using tied notes

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i i m i m

2. Mute with the plucking hand trailing finger during rests

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i m xi m i i

**Advanced bass rhythm patterns**

1. Two bar Bossanova pattern locking in with the bass drum. Try palm muting, root/five variations and runs at the end of bar two

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i (r) i m (r) m i m i m i m

2. One bar sixteenth note syncopated funk rhythm with plucked muted notes

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i m i m i m i m i m i m