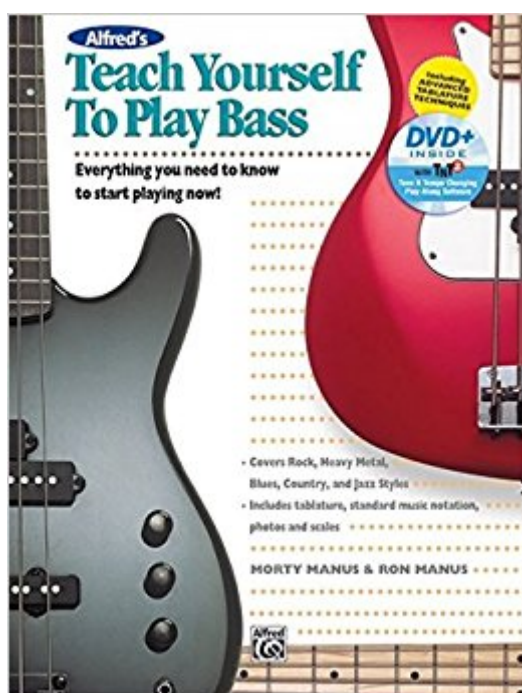


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# Alfred's Teach Yourself To Play Bass: Everything You Need To Know To Start Playing Now!, Book & DVD (Teach Yourself Series)



## Synopsis

Learn to play bass and open up a brand new world of musical knowledge with this exciting method from Alfred Music. Beginners of all ages can start their journey to a lifetime of musical enjoyment. Beginning with the fundamentals, you will learn about buying a bass guitar, tuning and holding it, fingering and picking styles, and getting acquainted with standard musical notation and tablature. You will then move right along to playing different notes, scales, and bass lines, lesson by lesson, all while continuing to increase your knowledge of reading and understanding standard musical notation and TAB. You will learn to play in an array of musical styles, including rock, Heavy Metal, Blues, country, and jazz. Near the end of the book you will be introduced to the concept of playing from chord sheets, which will assist you in coloring your and others' musical creations with your own unique, rockin' style. Upon completion of this book, you will be able to play from popular bass TAB folios and be ready to play in a band. The book features the following resources for reference during and after your lessons: \* TAB licks and bass lines \* Bass fingerboard chart \* Complete chord chart \* Photos showing hand positions and more The accompanying DVD features educator Jared Meeker teaching every lesson and performing all the songs. The DVD also includes TNT 2 software that lets you customize audio tracks for practice. Use it to slow down tracks, isolate and loop parts, and change tempos and keys. You may also stream the video and download the TNT 2 software from a browser. Be your own teacher, and let Alfred Music be your resource every step of the way.

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