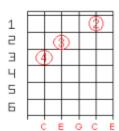
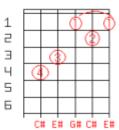
Chord Forms

The open position chord formations can be used to form all chords of that type. First, form the open position chord with your last 3 fingers (leaving your first finger free). Then slide the formation up ½ step higher (1 fret) and replace the nut (open notes) with your first finger (barring). For example, with the C major chord, form the C, E & C notes with your 2nd, 3rd, & 4th fingers. Then slide them up 1 fret and bar the first 3 strings with your first finger forming a C# major chord (the lowest note names the chord). Continue sliding this formation in ½ steps up the fretboard in order to form the remaining major chords (D, D#/Eb, E, F, F#/Gb, G, G#/Ab, A, A#/Bb, B). Remembering that #'s & b's are enharmonically the same (what you call it depends on which key you are in).

C Major Chord Form



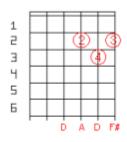


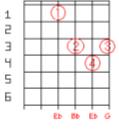




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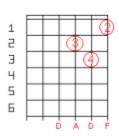


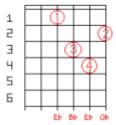




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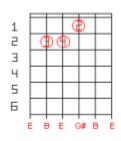




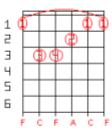


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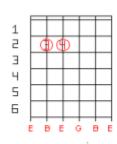




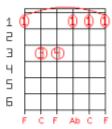


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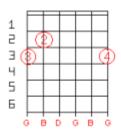




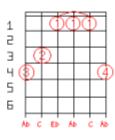


G Major Chord Form





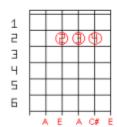




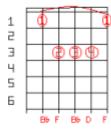


A Major Chord Form



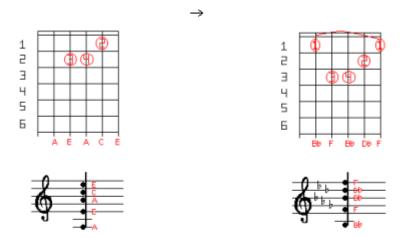








A Minor Chord Form



Now you can play any major or minor chord in any position on the guitar.