First songs · 3 notes

How to play Cha-Komba, Komba on the ocarina



A free song from the Mozambican children's & folk songs song pack.

Cha-Komba, Komba ocarina notes with color coding & letters, sheet music, fingering diagrams, and interactive audio practice.

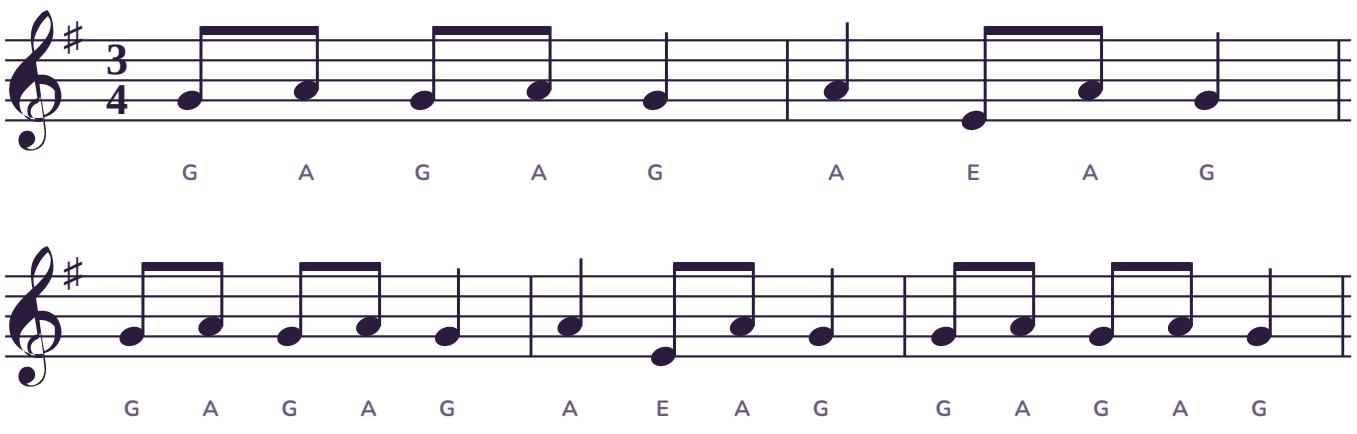
It uses 3 notes: **E**, **G**, **A**.
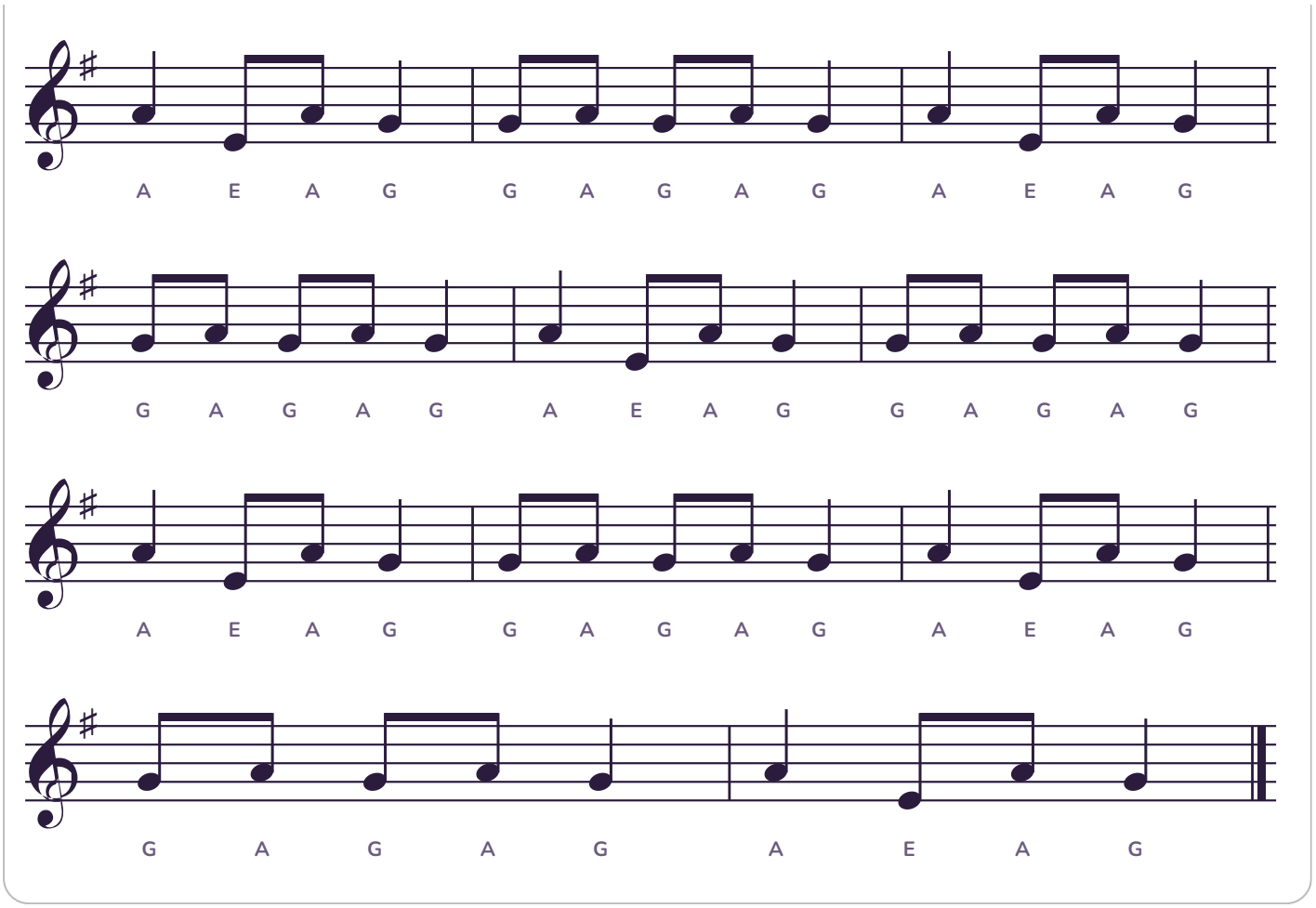
The notes & rhythm

G A G A G | A E A G | G A G A G | A E A G | G A G A
G | A E A G | G A G A G | A E A G | G A G A G | A E
A G | G A G A G | A E A G | G A G A G | A E A G | G
A G A G | A E A G |

Longer blocks are longer notes; a vertical line marks each bar.

Sheet music





Standard treble clef notation with letter guides below each note.

The notes as letters

G A G A G A E A G G A G A G A E A G G A G A
G A E A G G A G A G A E A G G A G A G A E A
G G A G A G A E A G G A G A G A E A G G A G
A G A E A G

Ocarina fingerings

E · low E



Front · finger holes

Back · thumb holes and extra sub-holes (open)

G · G



Front · finger holes

Back · thumb holes and extra sub-holes (open)

A · A



Front · finger holes

Back · thumb holes and extra sub-holes (open)

Playing tips for Cha-Komba, Komba

- Start each note cleanly with a gentle tongue stroke (whisper "too" or "doo").
- Seal every hole completely with the soft pads of your fingers, not your fingertips.
- The ocarina's pitch follows your breath: blowing softer lowers the pitch, blowing harder raises it.
- The low notes need the gentlest breath of all. If a low note warbles or squeaks, soften your breath and check that your lower fingers fully seal their holes.