A little challenge · 8 notes

How to play Bahay Kubo on the ocarina

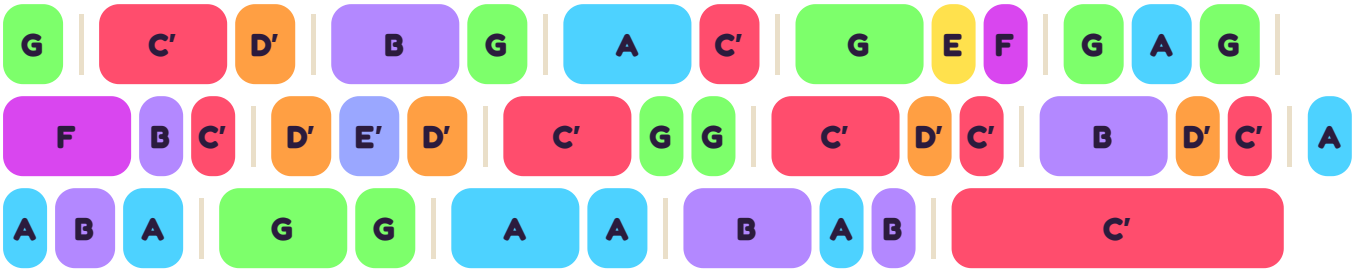


A free song from the Philippine children's & folk songs song pack.

Bahay Kubo ocarina notes with color coding & letters, sheet music, fingering diagrams, and interactive audio practice.

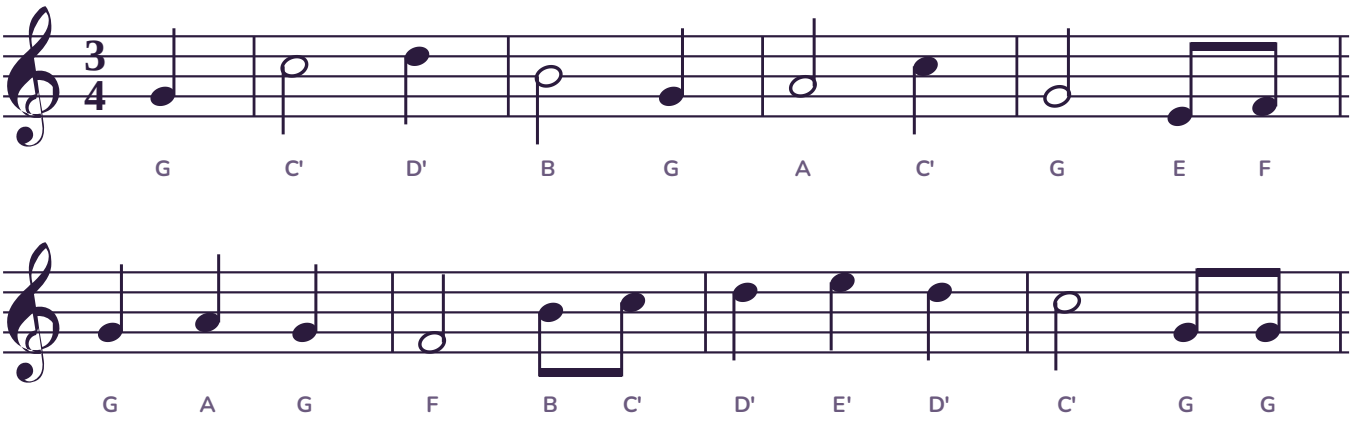
It uses 8 notes: **E**, **F**, **G**, **A**, **B**, **C'**, **D'**, **E'**.

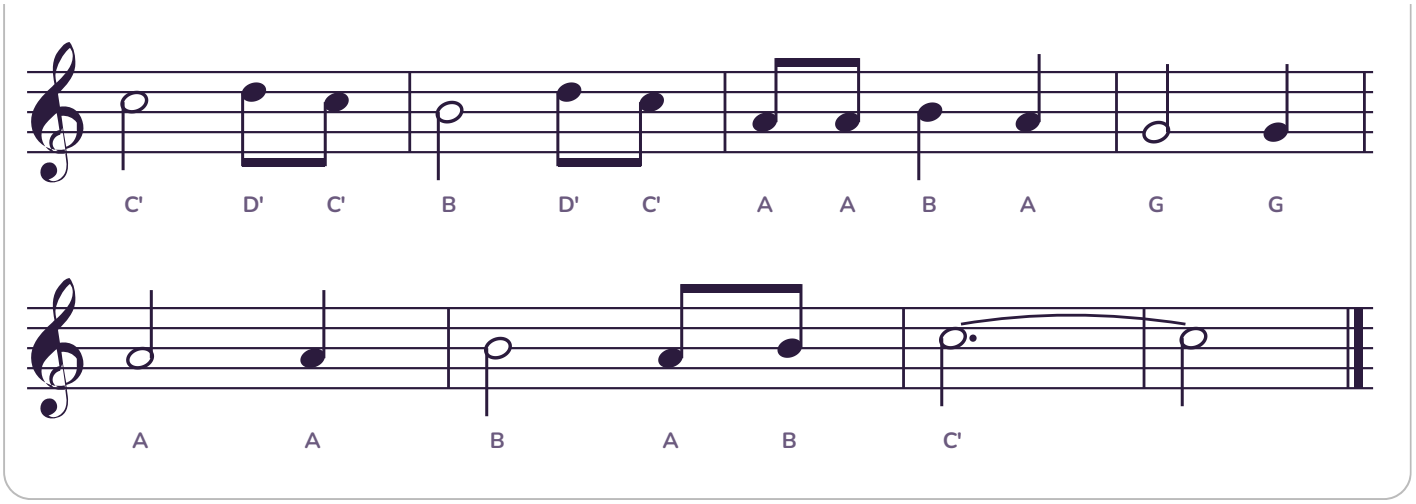
The notes & rhythm



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 C′ D′ B G A C′ G E F G A G F B C′ D′ E′ D′
C′ G G C′ D′ C′ B D′ C′ A A B A G G A A B A B
C′

Ocarina fingerings

E · low E



Front · finger holes

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

F · F



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)

B · B



Front · finger holes

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

C' · high C



Front · finger holes

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

D' · high D



Front · finger holes

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

E' · high E



Front · finger holes

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

Playing tips for Bahay Kubo

- 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.

- The highest notes need firm, focused breath. Raise your breath slightly and keep the ocarina level so the airstream splits cleanly.