

Chromatics

Semitone (Half Step) Patterns



We use the word **chromatic** to describe moving up and down in pitch, semitone by semitone.

A sequence of 12 consecutive ascending or descending semitones is called a **chromatic scale**. Here are the first 8 notes of some **chromatic scales** for you to try!

A string

E string

D string

G string

Activities

- 1) **Play** through the ascending chromatic examples above.
- 2) **Check** the tuning of your 4th finger notes, by comparing them with the pitch of the open string.
- 3) **Write** the descending chromatic pattern for the D string, from A down to D:

