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Fretboard Theory by Desi Serna teaches music theory for guitar including scales, chords, progressions, modes and more. The hands-on approach to theory shows you how music "works" on the guitar fretboard by visualizing shapes and patterns and how they connect to make music.

Content includes:

- * Learn pentatonic and major scale patterns as used to play melodies, riffs, solos, and bass lines
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- * Learn how all the different aspects of music fit together to make a great song
- * See how theory relates to popular styles of music and familiar songs

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Level: Recommended for intermediate level players on up.

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