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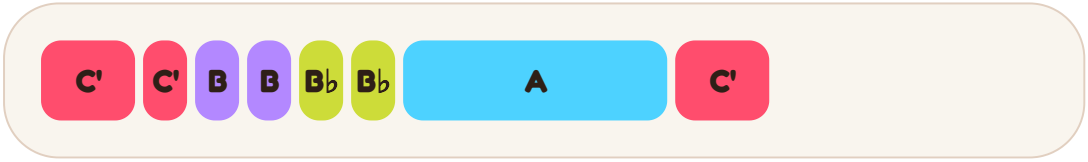
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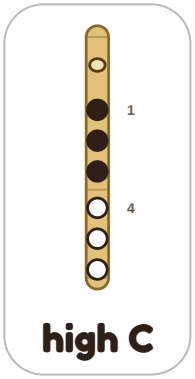
The letters are the same notes, written out. A small mark after a letter (C') means the high note.

The fingering pictures show the bansuri upright, the mouth hole on top: holes 1 to 3 for the left hand, 4 to 6 for the right. A filled hole is covered, an empty one is open, and a half-filled one is half covered. The high notes use the same fingers, blown a little more firmly.

All for a bansuri in C (its lowest note: G). On a bansuri in another key, the fingerings are the same.

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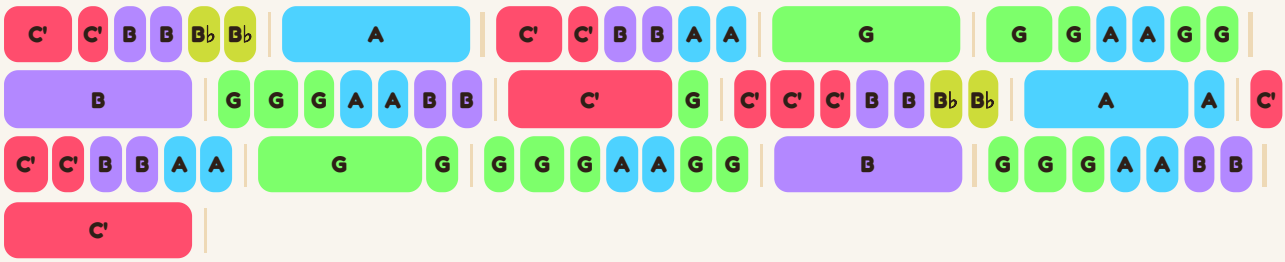


Suikerbossie (South Africa)

It uses 5 notes: G, A, B♭, B, high C. Easy.
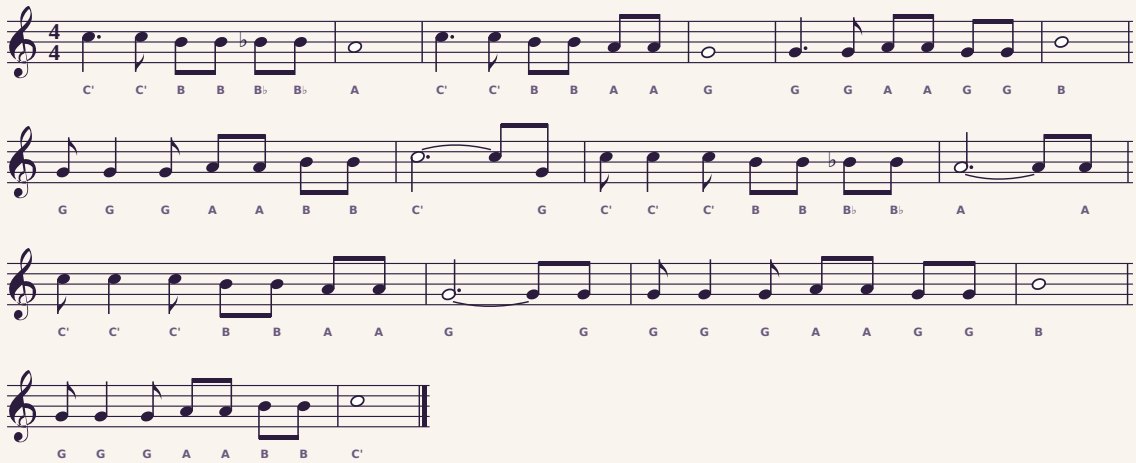
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Sheet music



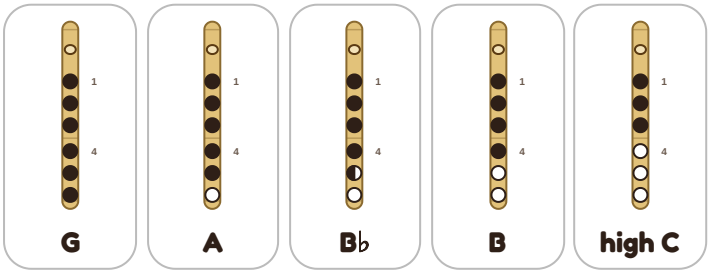
The same song in standard notation, with each note's name under it.

The notes as letters

C' C' B B B♭ B♭ A C' C' B B A A G G G A A G G B G G G A A B B C'
G C' C' C' B B B♭ B♭ A A C' C' C' B B A A G G G G G A A G G B G G
G A A B B C'

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Fingerings



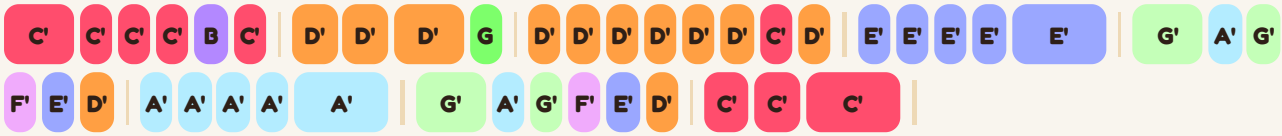
Three Chinese with a Double Bass

Drei Chinesen mit dem Kontrabass

It uses 8 notes: G, B, high C, high D, high E, high F, high G, high A. A little challenge.
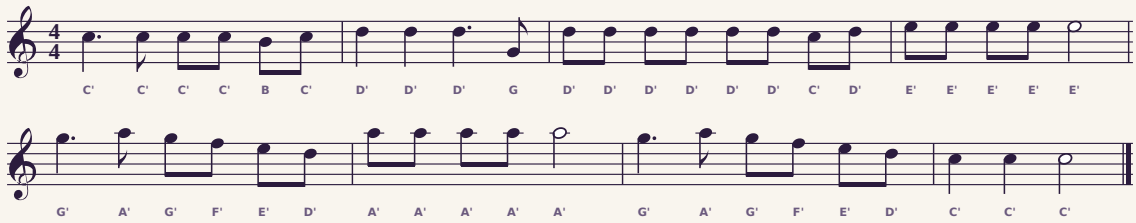
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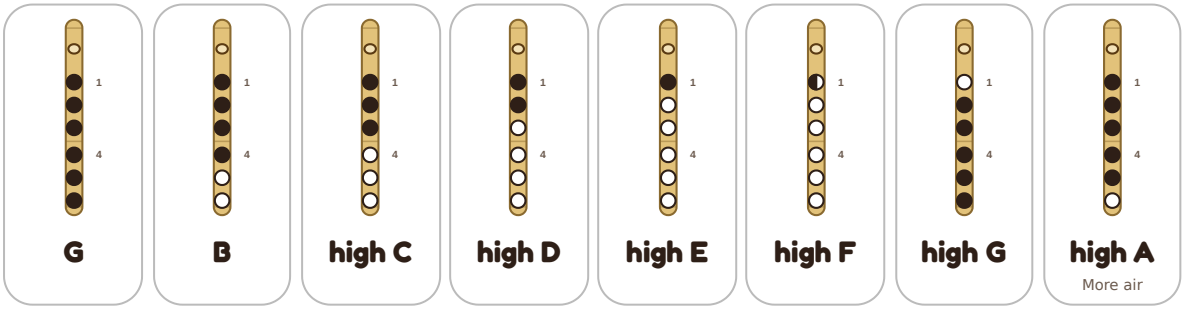
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C' C' C' C' B C' D' D' D' G D' D' D' D' D' D' C' D' E' E' E' E'
E' G' A' G' F' E' D' A' A' A' A' A' G' A' G' F' E' D' C' C' C'

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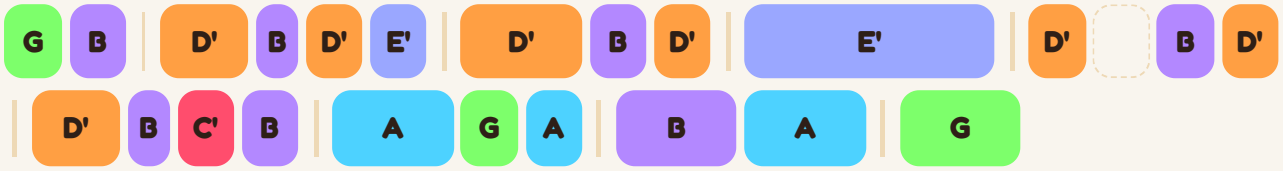


Michael, Row the Boat Ashore

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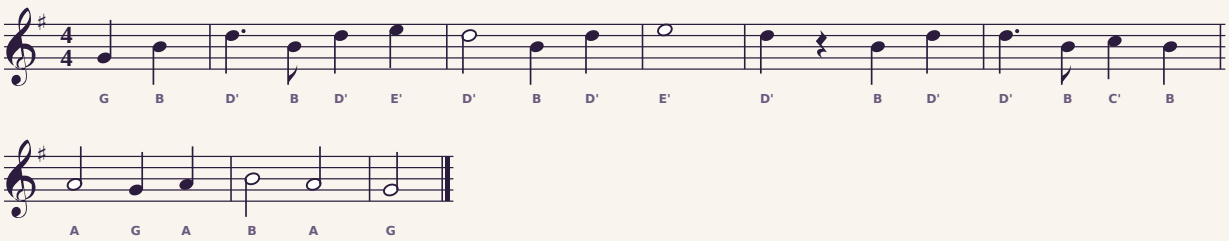
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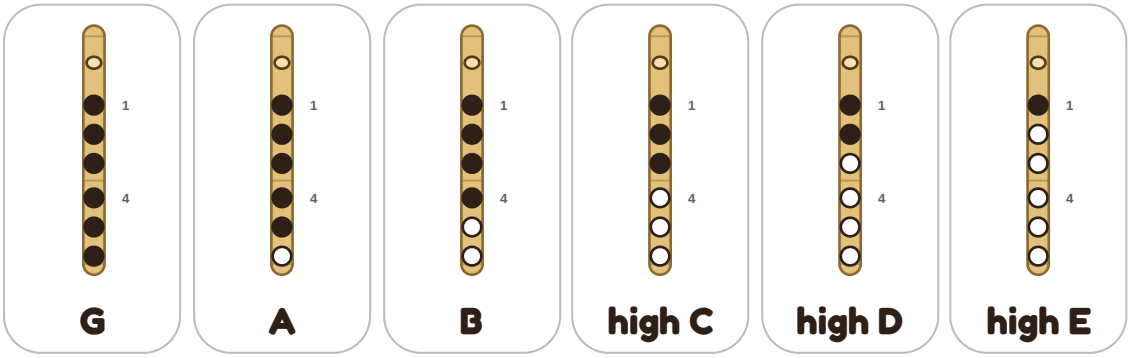
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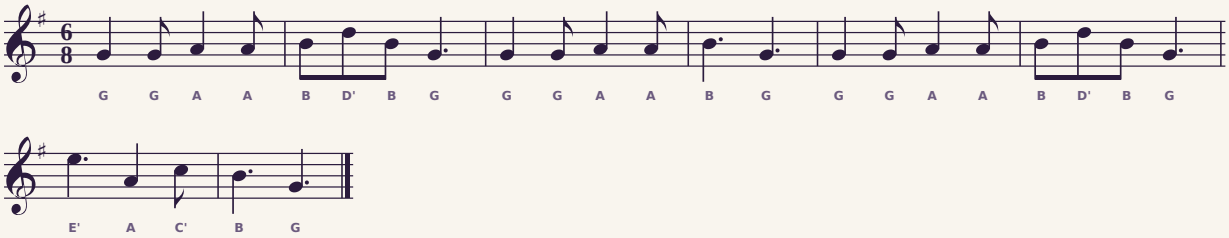
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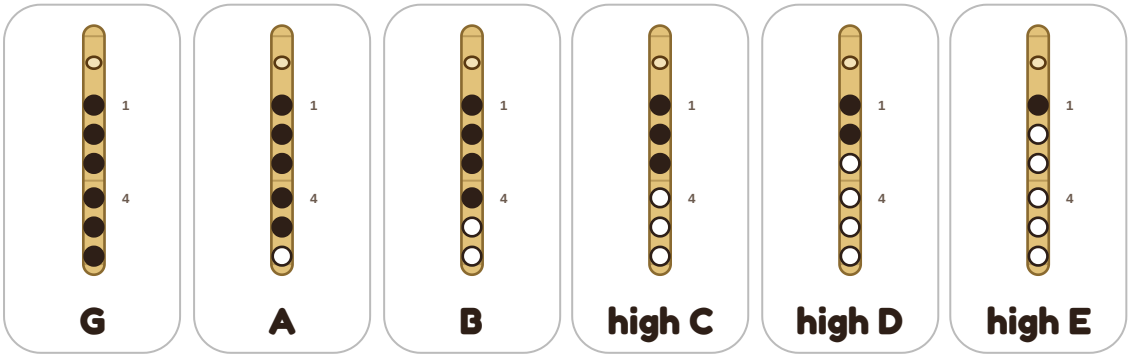
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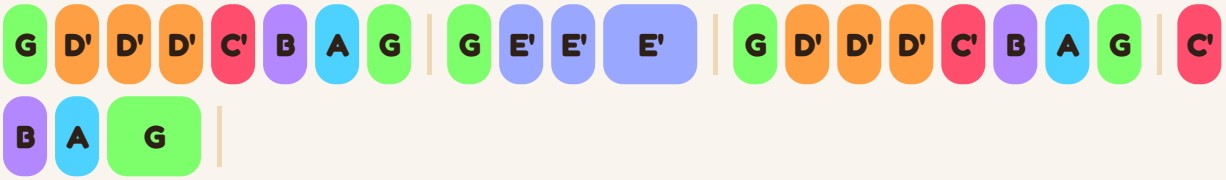
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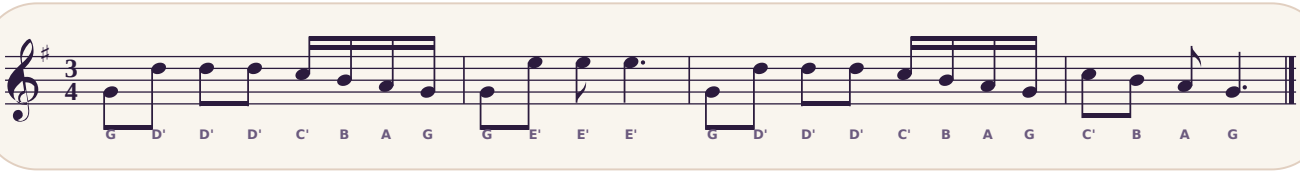
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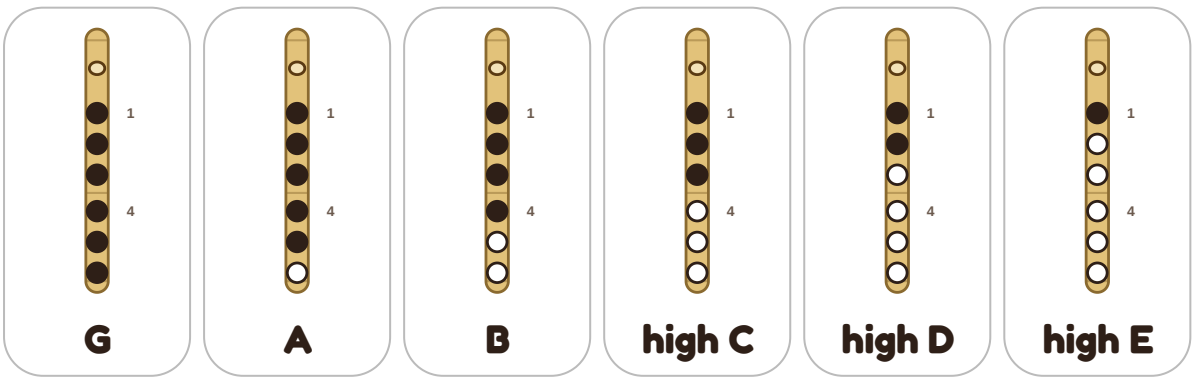
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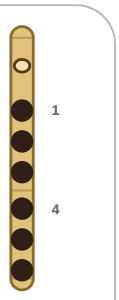
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Fingerings



The fingering chart

Every note in this book, and how to play it. All for a bansuri in C (its lowest note: G). On a bansuri in another key, the fingerings are the same.



G



A



B♭



B



high C



high D



high E



high F



high G



high A

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Quill the owl

Hello! I'm Quill. Grab your recorder: I play each new note first, then it's your turn.