Chord Charts

from

Learn How to Play Electronic Keyboard or Piano *In a week!*

Including 9ths & 13ths Etc.



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Chord Charts in Keyboard View

The next few pages show the following chords in keyboard view in each of the twelve keys:

- Major (including 6th, 7th and M7th);
- Minor (including 6th, 7th, mM7th and m7b 5th);
- Diminished (including 7th);
- Augmented (including 7th);
- Suspended 4th (also called just 'sus');
- Suspended 9th (2nd).

These form a good starting point and all of them should be recognised by auto accompaniment features. So, if you intend using these features, knowing all these chords will be extremely useful.

More complicated extensions such as 9ths, 11ths and 13ths etc. are often not correctly recognised by auto accompaniment and these are shown in the next section

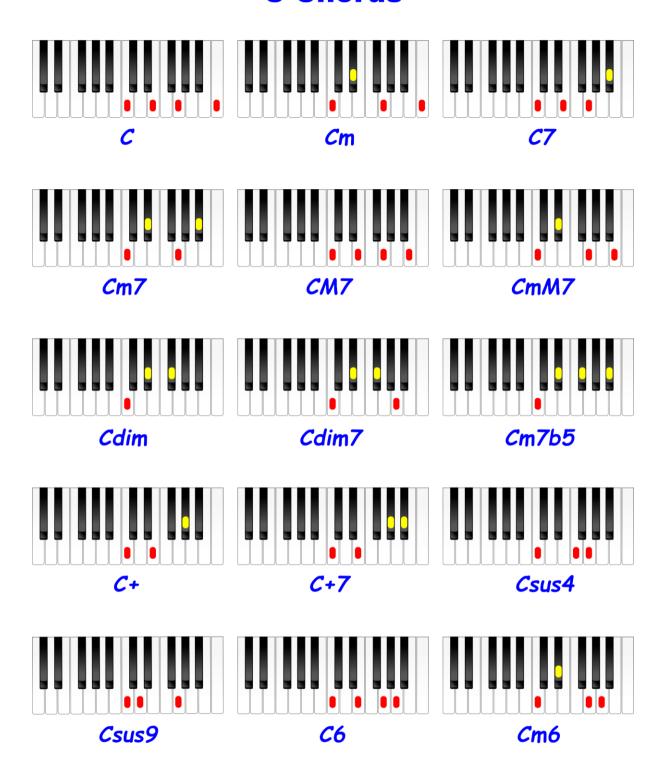
Why do I need to learn chords?

All music is based around chords, so you will be playing them in a roundabout way whether you like it or not. But if you *understand* which chords you are playing, it makes the whole process easier. Furthermore, if you intend using auto accompaniment or playing from a 'fake book', they are essential.

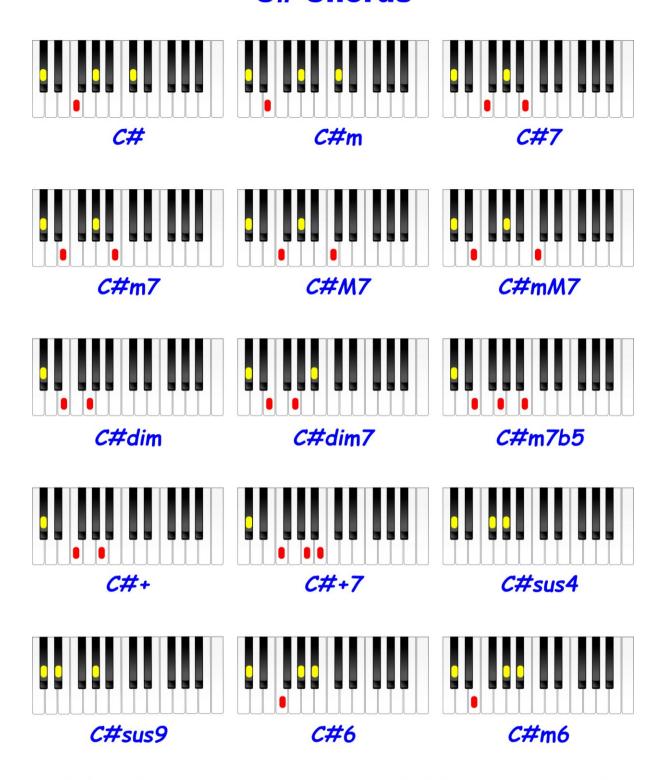
When I first took classical lessons, I was never taught anything about chords, even though I was playing them, - maybe I was too young. But I actually learnt much more about chords as a 'pop' musician.

To learn much more about chords including chord construction and fingering please see: https://learn-keyboard.co.uk/chords.html .

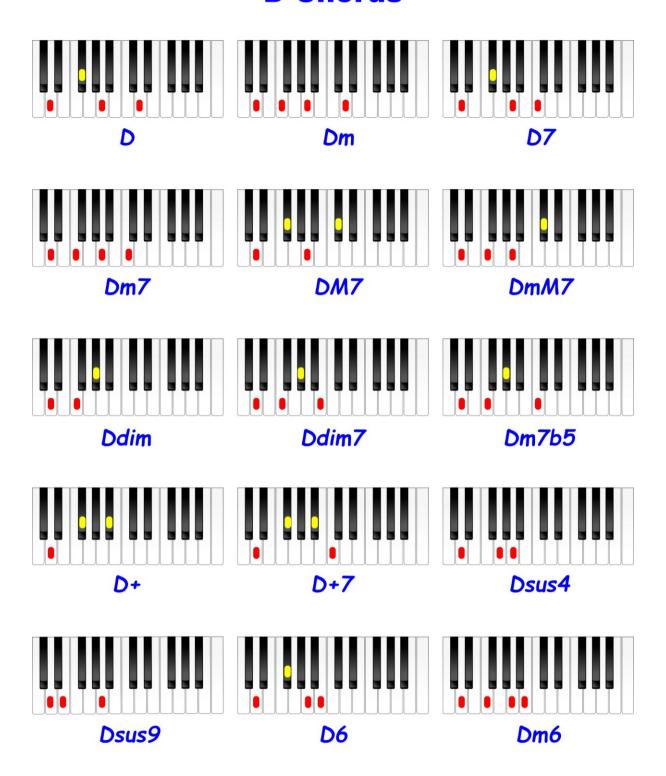
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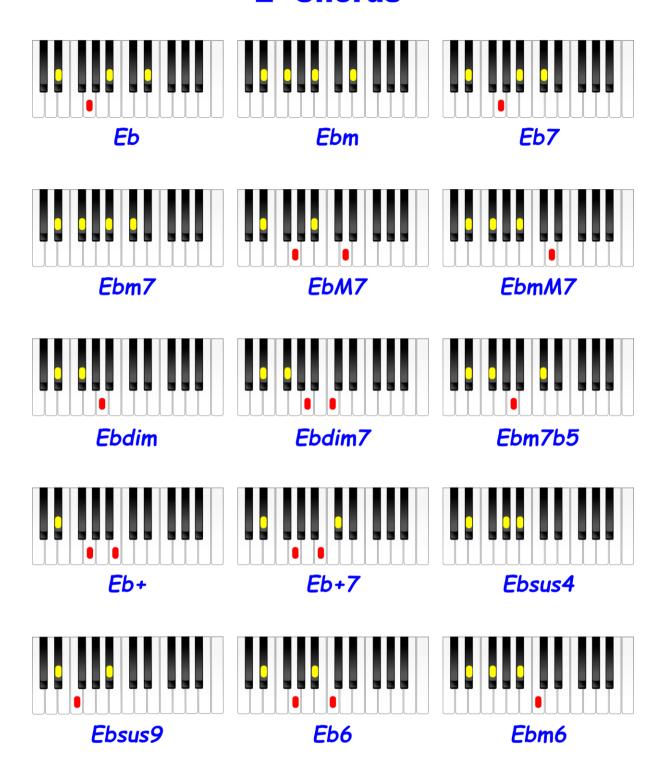
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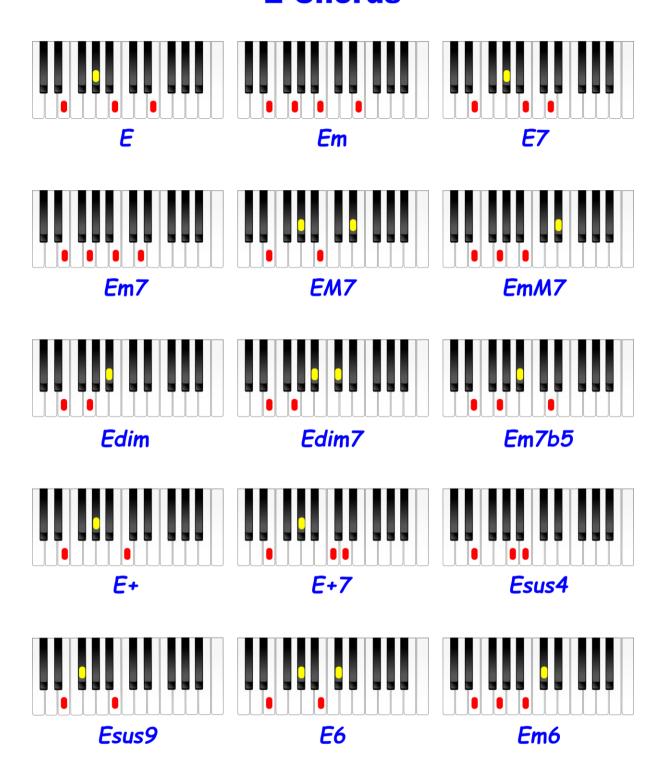
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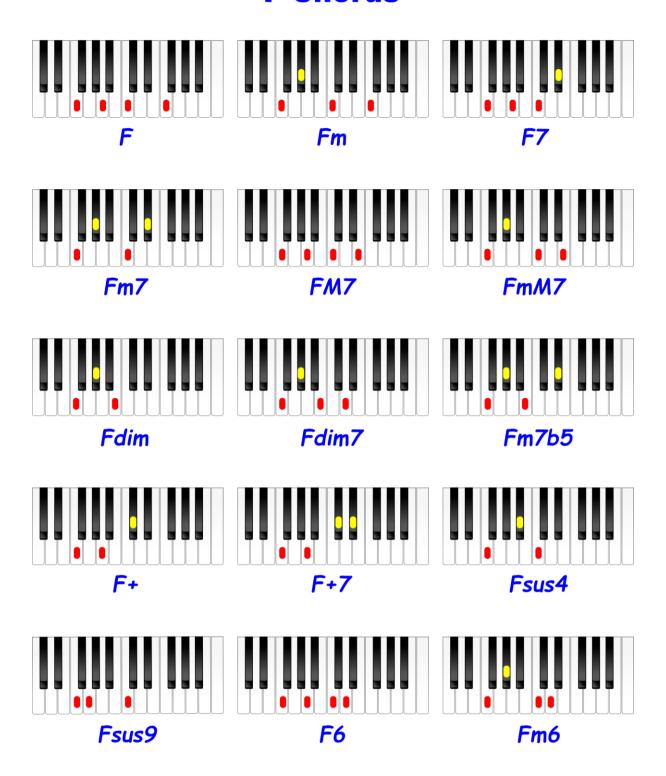
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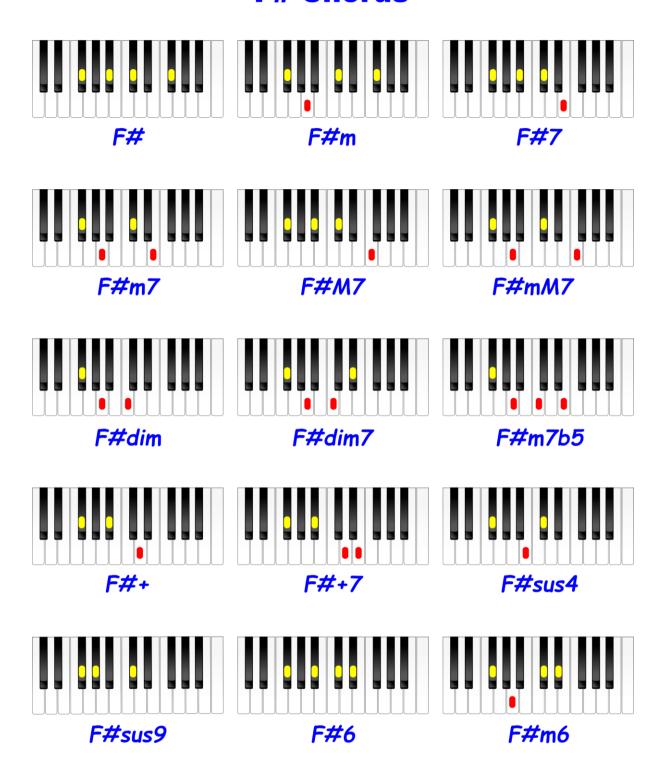
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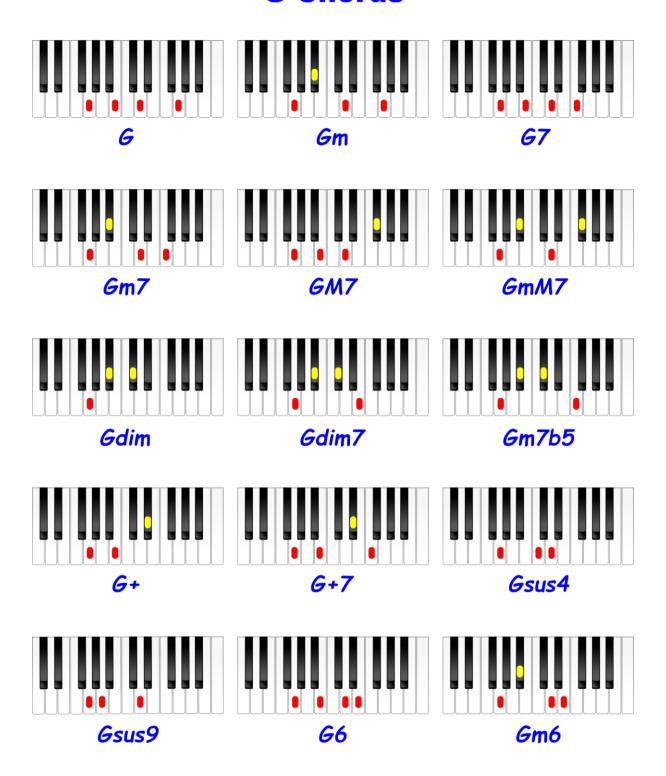
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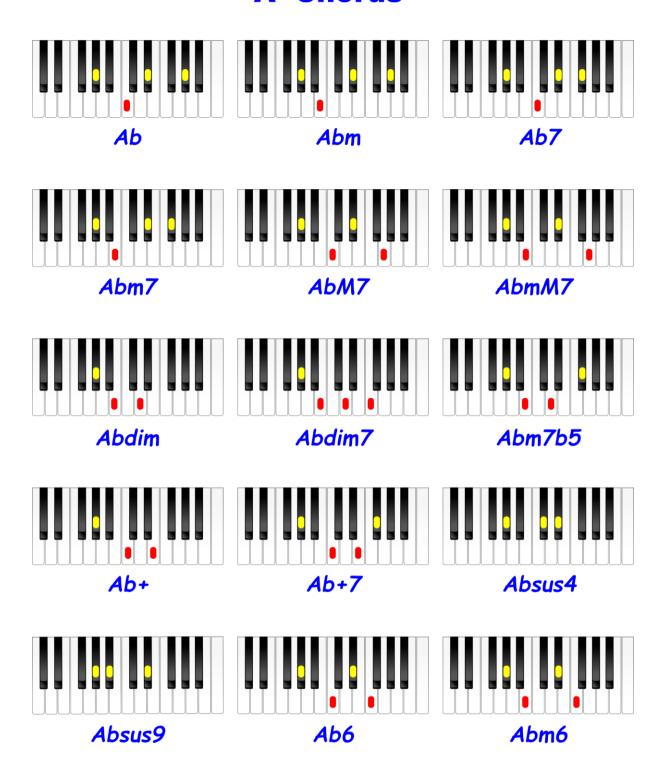
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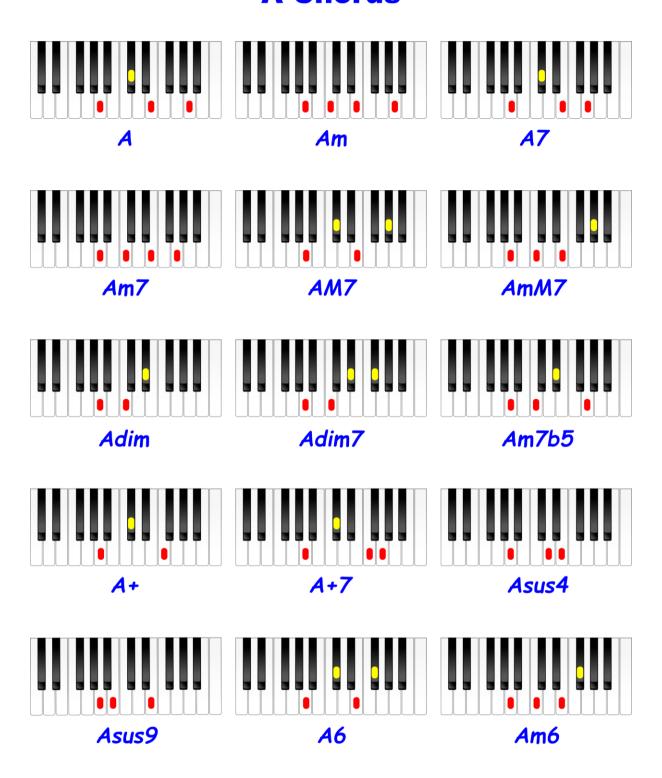
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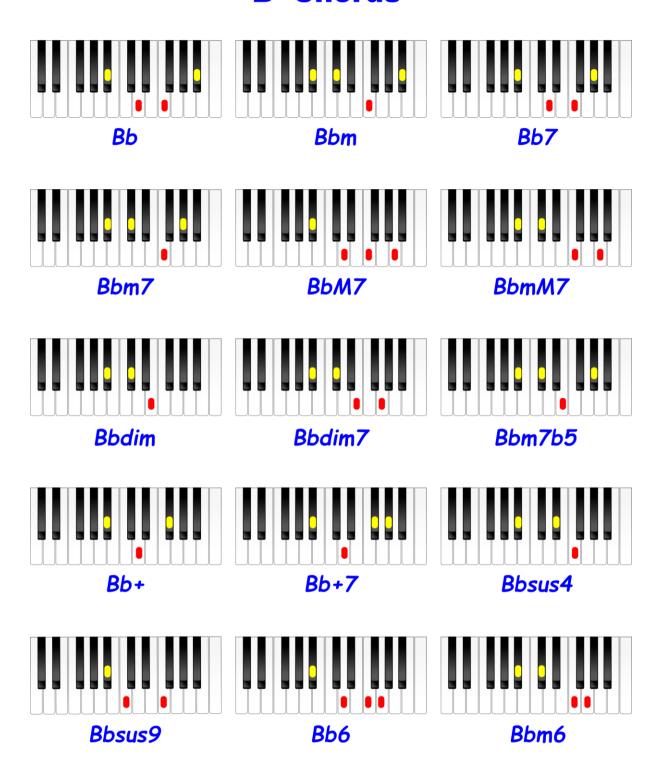
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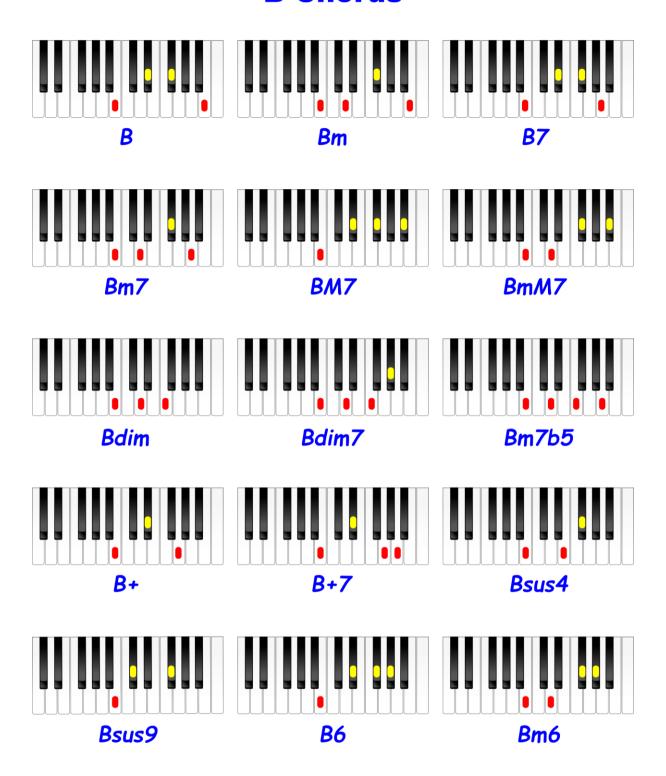
A Chords



B^b Chords



B Chords



Extended Chords in Keyboard View

The next twelve pages show the following chords in keyboard view in each of the twelve keys:

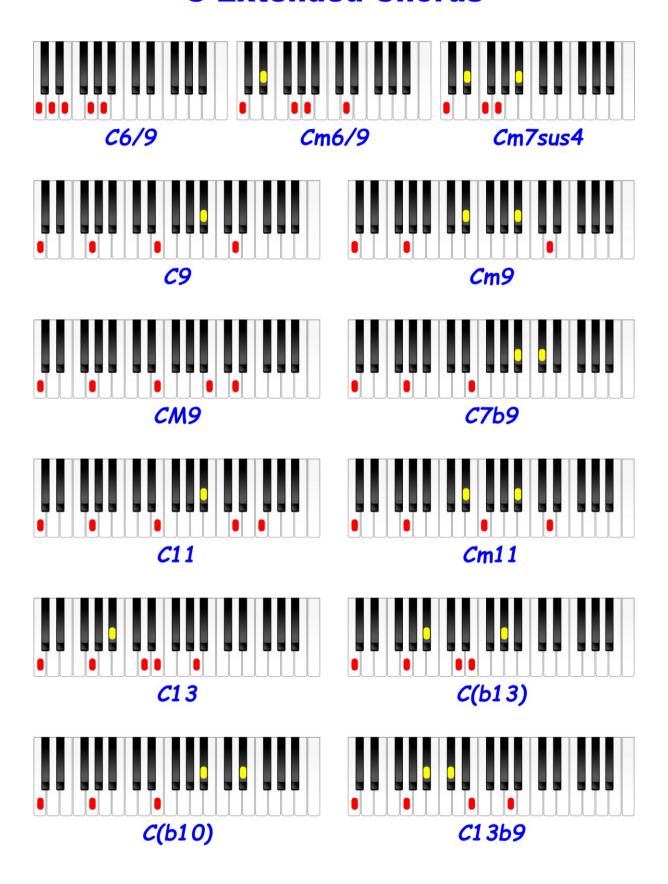
- 6/9th, m6/9th, m7sus4th;
- 9th, m9th, M9th & 7b 9th;
- 11th & m11th;
- 13th, b 13th & 13b 9th;
- b 10th.

With the exception of the first three chords of each page, the two lowest notes (the root and 5th) are to be played with the left hand.

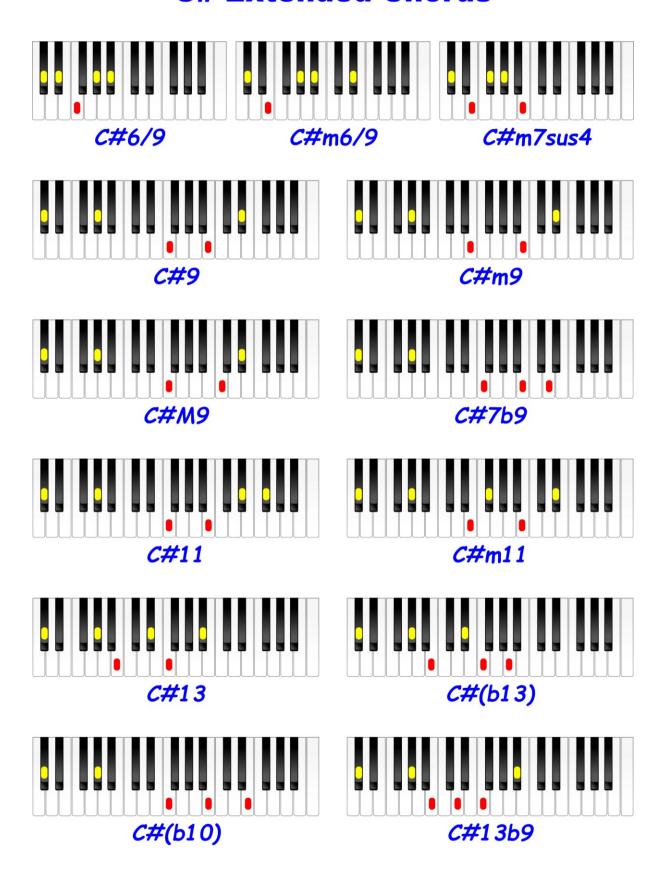
Note that if playing the short (right-hand) version of these chords, it's doubtful, that they would be recognised by auto accompaniment. In this event, just play the relevant major (or minor if applicable) chord with your left hand and the more complicated extension (as shown) with your right hand. It will work - try it! But also note that the chords shown are my suggestions which have served me well, but there are of course others - the possibilities are endless! As you get to understand how chords are constructed, you will be able to figure out different inversions.

If playing with a band, you would only need to play the right-hand parts, omitting the tonic and 5th which will be dealt with by the bass player.

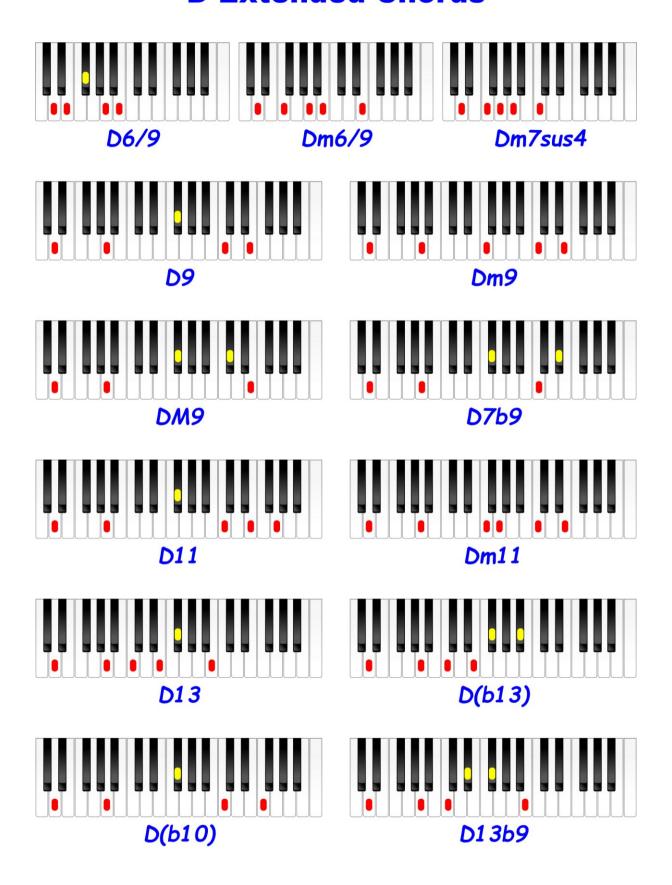
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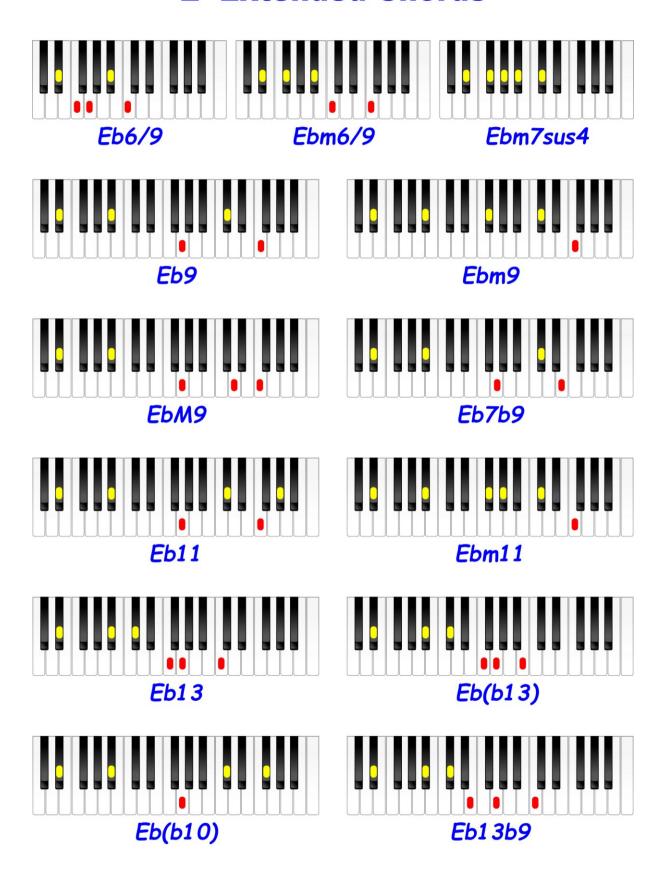
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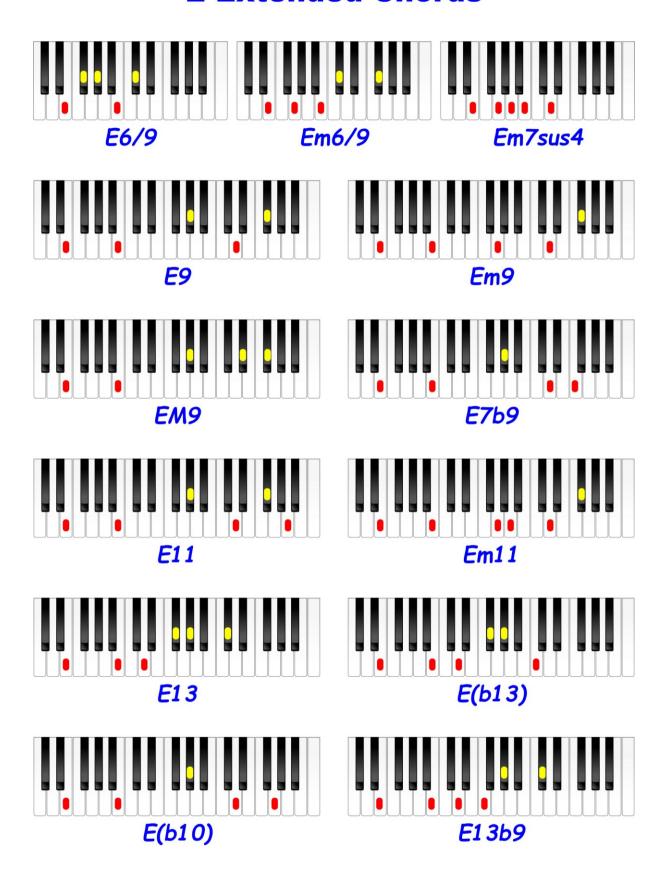
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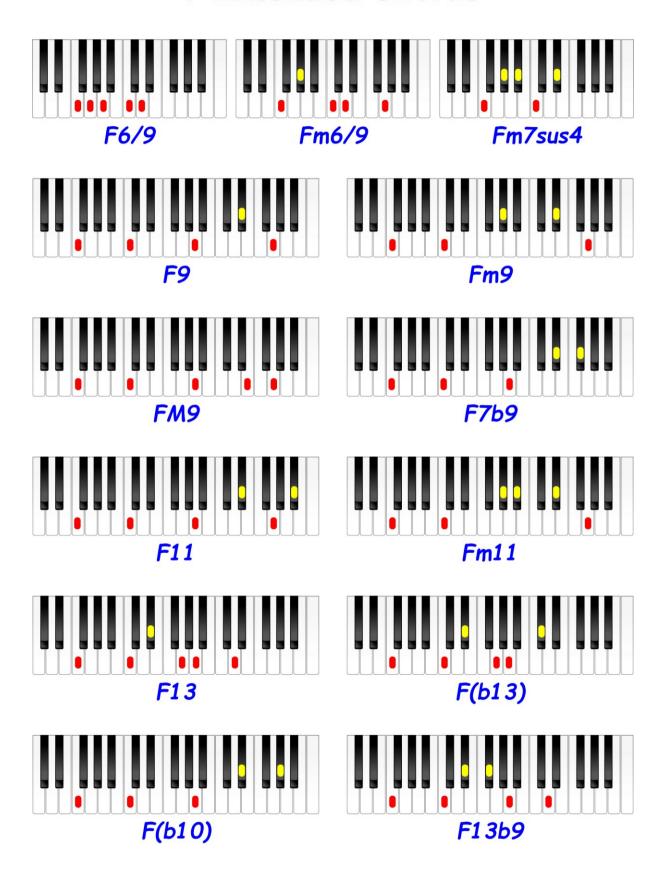
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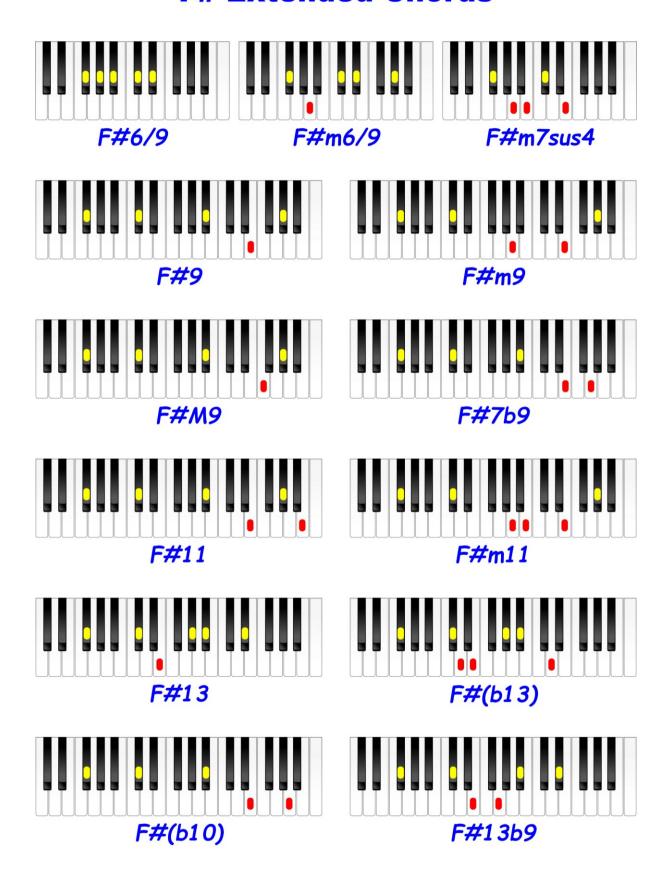
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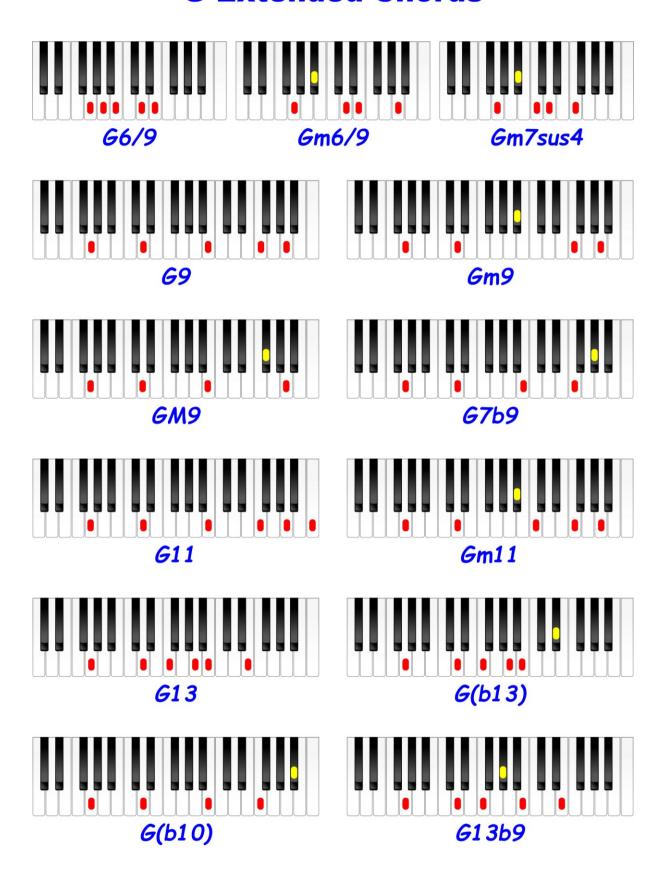
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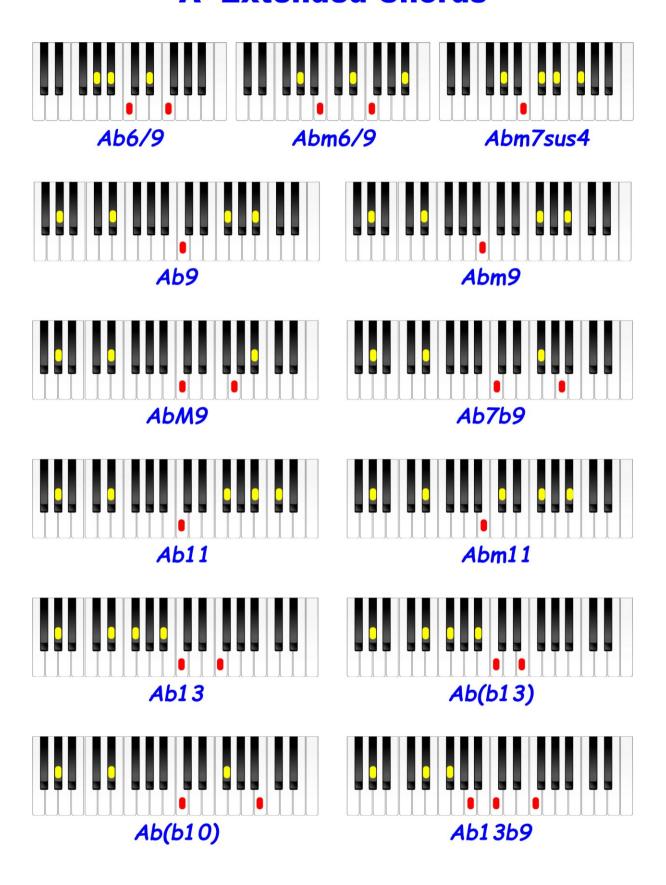
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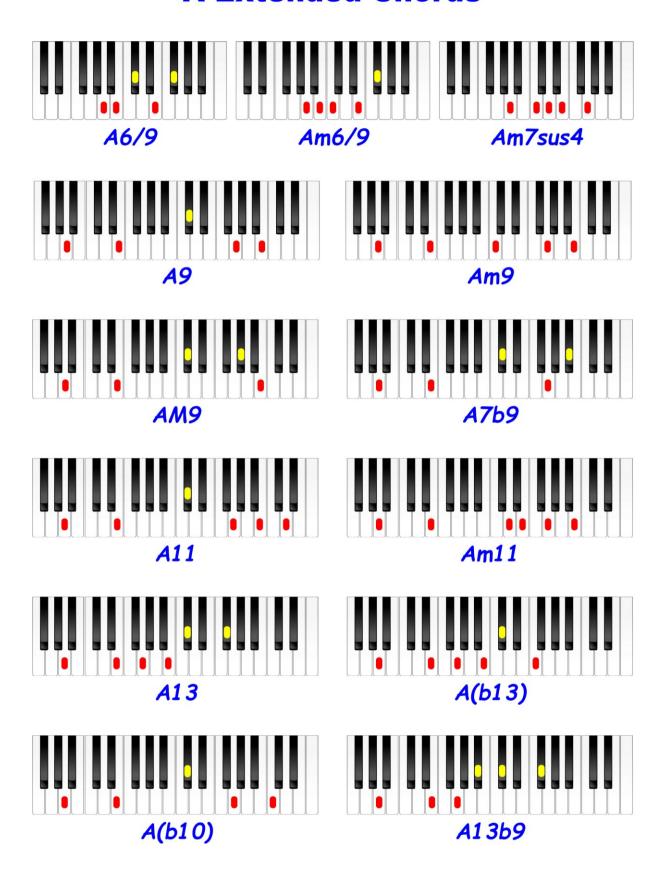
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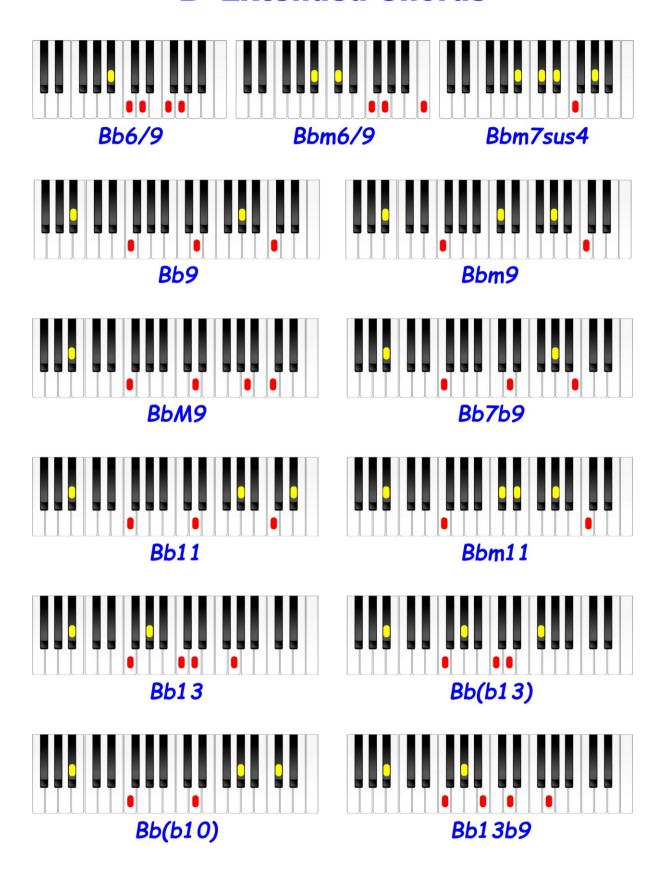
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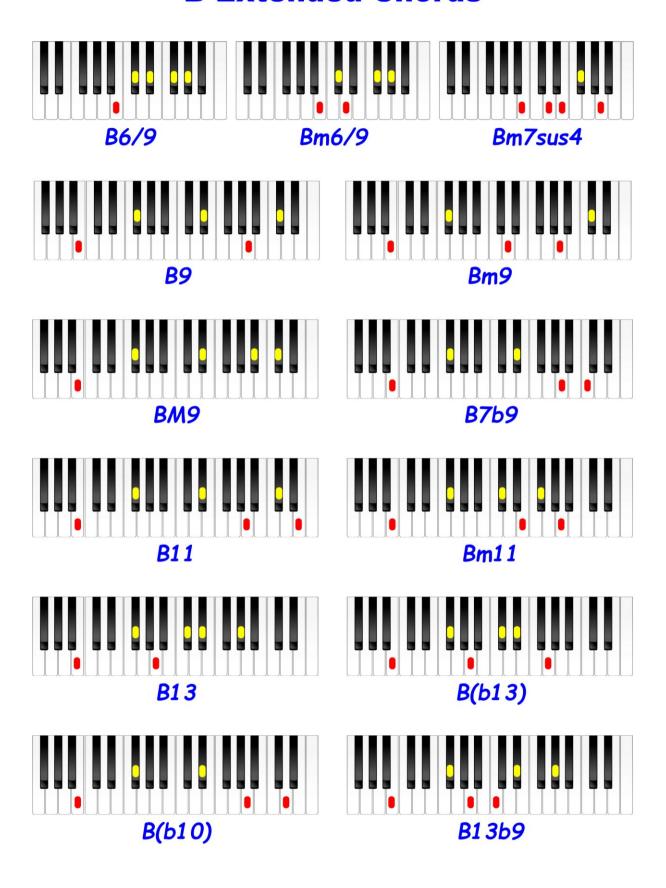
A Extended Chords



B^b Extended Chords



B Extended Chords



Further Reading

I hope that you've found these charts useful.

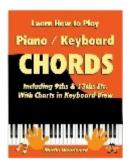
But if you'd like much more information, I recommend the following low-cost books all of which are easy to read. To see these, just click on the icons.



















Please also see my independent comprehensive keyboard review page at https://learn-keyboard.co.uk/keyboard_reviews.html

Best Regards

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