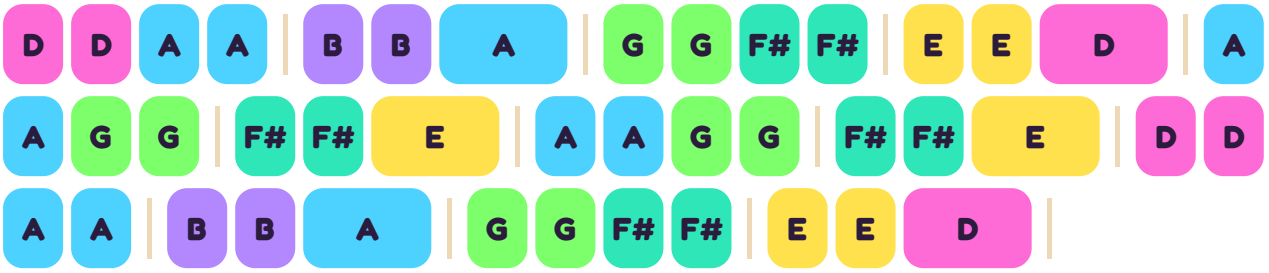
A little challenge

How to play Twinkle Twinkle Little Star on the recorder

Twinkle Twinkle Little Star recorder notes with letters, for beginners, with a fingering chart for each note.

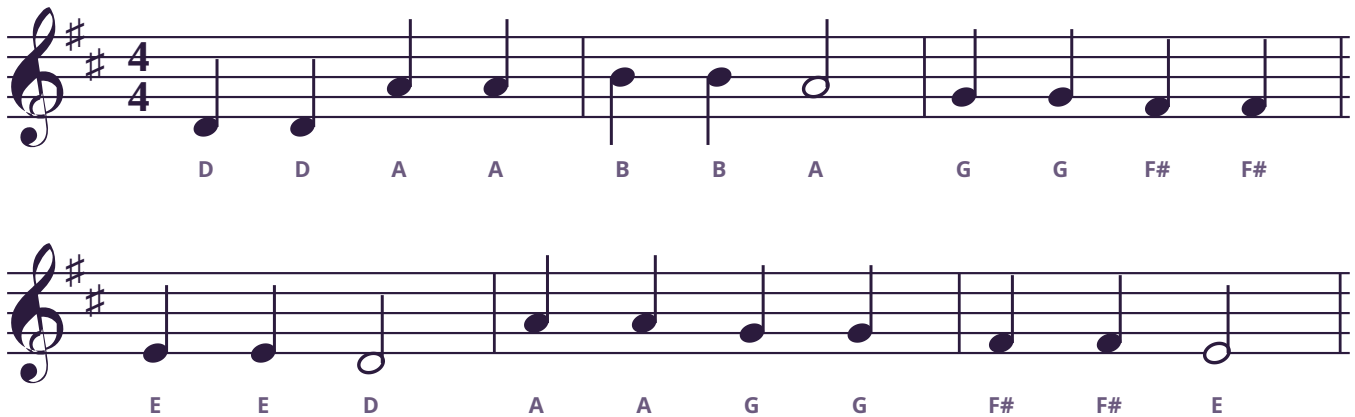
"Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star", to the French tune "Ah! vous dirai-je, maman" that Mozart wrote variations on. It steps down the scale from A to D. It uses 6 notes: low D, low E, F#, G, A and B. Below are the notes with their rhythm, and the fingering for each one.

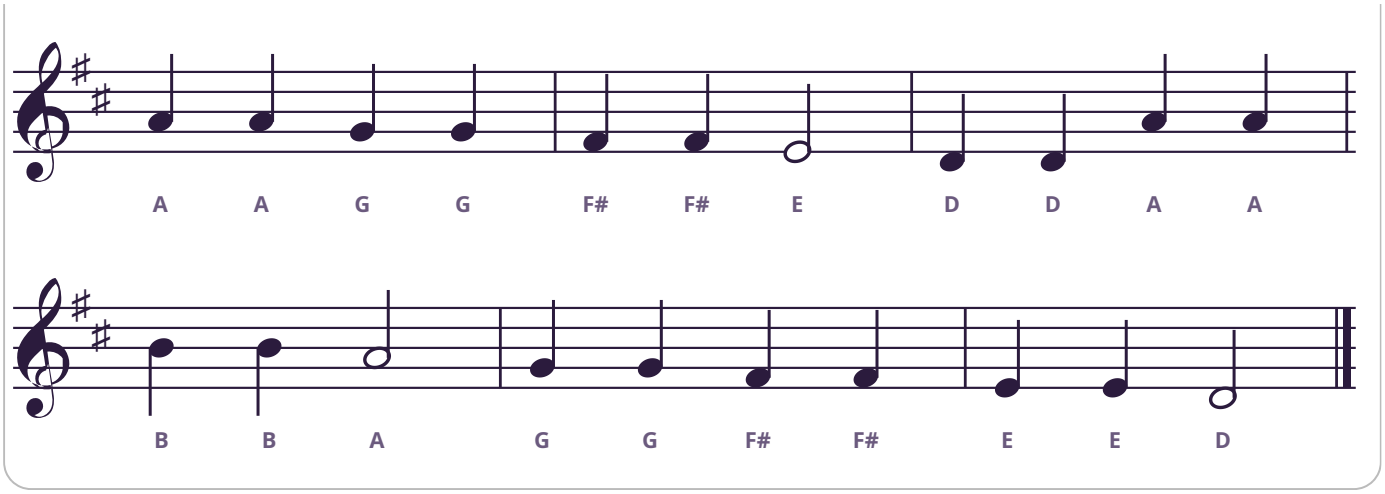
The notes



Longer blocks are longer notes; a line marks each bar.

Sheet music





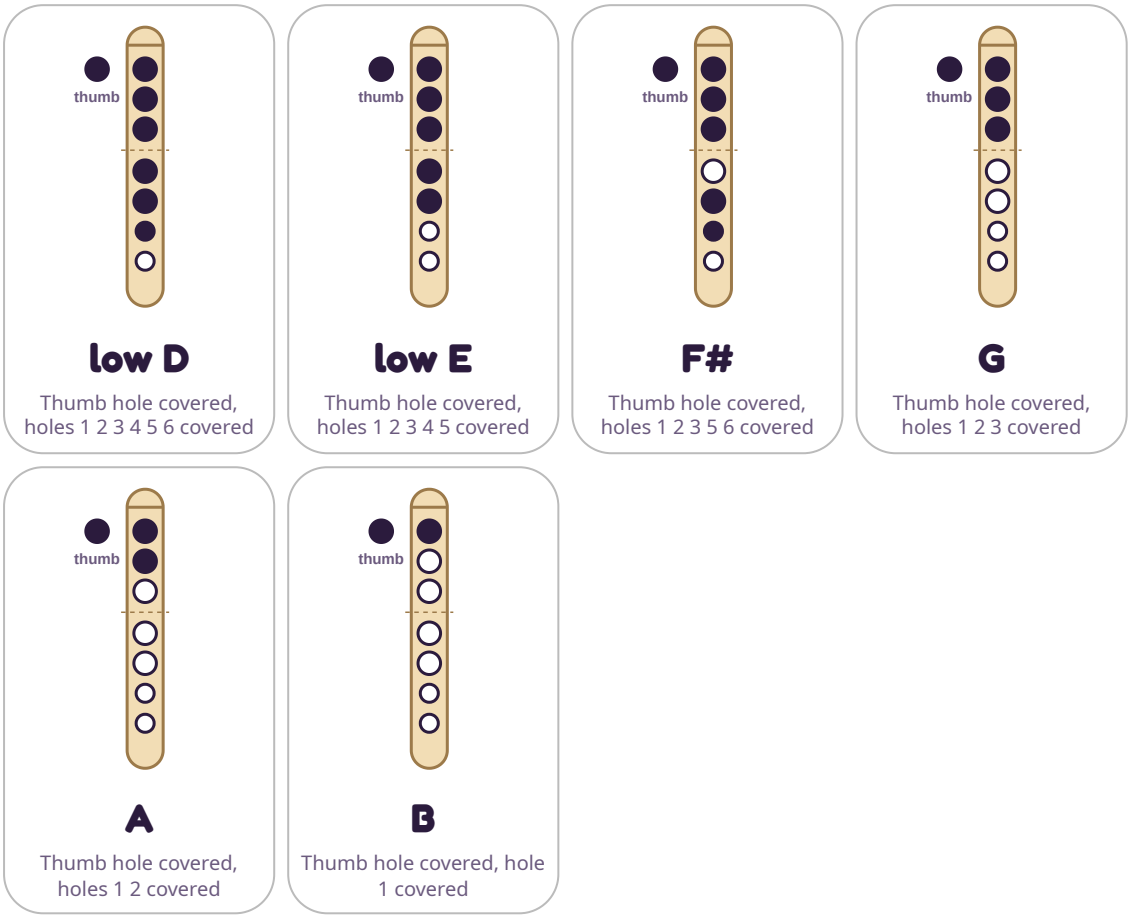
The same song in standard notation, with each note's name under it.

The notes as letters

D D A A B B A G G F# F# E E D A A G G F# F# E
A A G G F# F# E D D A A B B A G G F# F# E E D

All for a soprano (descant) recorder, with baroque (English) fingering.

Fingerings



Tap Play to hear a note; tap a fingering card to see how to play it. Filled holes are covered. The left hand is on top (thumb behind, holes 1–3), the right hand below (holes 4–7).

Tips

- Say "doo" into the recorder for each note: the tongue starts every note, so repeated notes sound separate.
- Blow gently, like cooling soup. Too much air makes a squeak an octave up.
- Cover the holes with the soft pads of your fingers, not the tips, so no air leaks out.
- Low D needs the gentlest breath of all, and every hole sealed: if it squeaks, check your bottom fingers first.
- F# is a "forked" fingering: cover the thumb and holes 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6, leaving hole 4 open.