Beginners' Baritone Ukulele Holiday

3pm Tuesday 16th July 2024 to Thursday 18th July 2pm *Please use block capitals and include first name and surname*

Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss				
Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss{first name){surname} □ I would like to borrow an instrument for the course (£10 fee) □ I would like to borrow a music stand (free of charge				
Address				
Postcode Tel No				
E-Mail				
To give us some idea of your taste in music, please write below the titles (and some identifying details) of one or two of your all time favourite songs.				
Please return the completed Booking form together with the deposit by cheque made payable to The Yarn Market as soon as possible Address: Yarn Market Hotel 25-33 High Street, Dunster, Somerset TA24 6SF Or make a payment by Credit or Debit Card Card Number				
Expiry/ CVC				
DEPOSIT (non refundable) is PAYABLE WITH RETURN OF ADVANCE BOOKING FORM Do you have any dietary, mobility or other special requirements (please specify) or intending to come by public transport				

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Playing a **Baritone** Ukulele is a wonderful way to support group singing and can also accompany solo songs.

Advanced players can also use finger picking to play melodies.

This Course has been developed during a year of research and weekly sessions with a small group of friends, and now we believe it is ready for everyone. The skills you learn prepare you

for playing a standard six string guitar!

Yarn Market Hotel

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Teacher: **Bob Foster (CT-ABRSM)**

Rehearsal Coach: Claire Ray (Bon Accord)



<u>Day 1 Tuesday</u> 3pm Afternoon TEA & Course Welcome

3.30pm Course Overview

4.30pm Individual Tutorials – 'What are your Aims & Objectives'

5.30pm **Session 1 - Tuning the Baritone Ukulele**

(Use open strings to play a few bars from the tune Galway Bay)

6.30pm DINNER

8pm *** CONCERT - Acker Bilk Tribute ***

Day 2 Wednesday 8am BREAKFAST (accompanied by light music)

10am Session 2 – Holding and Strumming the Baritone Ukulele

(Strumming the G7 chord in four time by 'fitting in' as the tutor sings I Have a Dream) 11am COFFEE

11.30am Session 3 – Changing from C to G7

(Using the tune **Jambalaya** we practice moving fingers from G7 position to **C** position) 12.30pm LUNCH

2pm * FREE TIME** (Invitation to join tour of Churches & Villages) 3pm TEA

3.30pm Individual Tutorials – 'Aims Achieved?' - 'Most enjoyed?' - 'Suggestions'

4.30pm Session 4 – Changing between C, G and D7

(Practise the new chord by playing the song Mull of Kintyre)

6.30pm DINNER

8pm *** CONCERT - Bon Accord ***

Day 3 Thursday

8am BREAKFAST (accompanied by light music)

10am Session 5 – Changing between C, G, G7, D7 and Em

(Practice the new chords by playing the songs Amazing Grace & Auld Lang Syne) 11am COFFEE

11.30am *** FAREWELL CONCERT – Course Members 'Party Pieces' *** (inc Strumming I Have a Dream, Jambalaya, Amazing Grace & Auld Lang Syne) 12.30pm LUNCH

2pm *** Course Completion Certificates

(recipients can join Intermediate course)

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<u>Inclusive charge for the break - per per</u>	<u>Deposits (non refundable)</u>	
Double/Twin Room Sharing	£200	Deposit £50 pp
Single Room	£250	Deposit £50 pp
Tuition & Concerts Only	£50	Deposit £50 pp
Tuition & Concerts & Meals	£125	Deposit £45 pp
Extra nights £55,00 nn B&B £85,00 nn	DRR (denosi	t £10 00 nn nor ovtra night)

Extra nights £55.00 pp B&B £85.00 pp DBB (deposit £10.00 pp per extra night) Non playing partners sharing double room - £30 discount

Course Introduction Strumming a Baritone Ukulele is a wonderful way to support your singing and can also be used for group singing. This Course has been developed during a year of research and weekly sessions with a small group of novices, and now we believe it is ready for everyone. The skills you learn prepare you for playing a standard six string guitar! In their excellent guide to playing the Ukulele, the U3A suggest playing **Soprano** Ukulele, but at WARM Strummers, we prefer the **Baritone** ukulele, although we agree with this quote from the U3A booklet: "The first two or three weeks are the hardest part - when you can play a little you will be making music, not just practising. The big break-though will come when you can play these chords without looking - you will then be able to hold your uke properly, and look ahead to prepare for the next chord change, and so be able to keep up more easily." Our advice for new **Baritone** Ukulele players is that you start by learning a few chords. You can then get accustomed to the idea of strumming and singing with songs like Jambalaya and I Have a Dream. Each session of this course is designed to give you the skills you need to play a new song.

Course Overview First, we show you how you can tune the instrument and then use open strings to play the opening of the tune **Galway Bay**. Then we prepare you for a strumming session by showing you how to hold and strum the instrument playing one chord and we practice by 'fitting in' as the tutor plays and sings the song: I **Have a Dream**. Then you will learn how to change the position of your fingers from the position for one chord to the position for another. We practise this as we all play along to the song **Jambalaya**. In the fourth session we show you how to play another chord and then practise changing between the three chords you now know by playing the song **Mull of Kintyre**. In the fifth and final session we show you how to play two more chords that will enable you to play along with the songs **Amazing Grace & Auld Lang Syne**. *Note: If you want to join WARMStrummers online sessions after the course, we can provide you with a WARM Strummers Membership song card, which contains additional songs*.