

# Notation Symbols Map

Markings that will appear **above** the staff system:

$8^{va}$  - - - - , *Ottava* sign - indicates an octave higher execution

○ Open String (Indicated with large circle)

○ Harmonic (Indicated with small circle)

♭ Thumb over harmonic (Touching string)

♣ Thumb, no harmonic (Pressing string)

1, 2, 3, 4 Finger numbers in left hand (Standard modern fingering system)

┌───┐ This bracket indicates that all notes are played in the same position - no shifting

E ┌───┐ This bracket indicates that all notes are played in the extended position - no shifting but a pivot extension with fixed thumb in left hand

B ┌───┐ Barred notes (two or three strings pressed simultaneously with first finger)

G ┌───┐ Grip technique (two or three strings pressed simultaneously over the bracketed passage)

Examples:

The musical notation examples include:

- Fingering: 1 4 1, 4 2 1 2 4 2, 1 1 1 1 1
- Barring: B
- Grip: G
- Thumb over harmonic: ♭
- Thumb pressing: ♣
- Ottava sign:  $8^{va}$

String numbers (I, II, III) are indicated below the staff to show which strings are played.

Markings that will appear **below** the staff system:

I String number in Roman numerals: I = A string (high), II = F# string, III = D string, IV = A str. (low)

┌───┐ Designates all notes played on that particular string

**Please note** the difference between the first finger over harmonic  $\overset{1}{\circ}$  and the thumb over harmonic  $\underset{\circ}{\flat}$

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