

Bass guitars keep the beat in rock music. They play the bass note of chords and can also be heard playing complicated riffs and licks.

Bass guitars can be played in different ways: by slapping, tapping or popping the strings.

Great bass players

Name	Band
John Entwistle	The Who
Flea	Red Hot Chili Peppers
Phil Lynott	Thin Lizzy



WOW! facts

The most expensive bass guitar cost over £150,000!

Lots of guitar players, like Jimi Hendrix and Paul McCartney, are left-handed.

To make it easier to play, they string the guitar the other way round and use their left hand to strum and their right hand to form the chords.

