

TRIAD PAIRS - "THE MINOR/DORIAN SOUND"

FROM DIGGING DEEPER JAZZ VIDEOS #29

This Triad Pair uses two of the major triads that we find in an **A dorian scale/sound**. Of course, we can use this idea on other minor scales/sounds as well, but the triads might end up being different choices, to match the different notes of each different minor scale.

Traditionally, the idea of Triad Pairs sticks with major triads, in spite of the fact that we are, in this instance, dealing with a minor chord.

This Triad Pair is built on the b3 of the scale (a C major triad in A minor), and "a whole step up," a D major triad. So, on any dorian minor chord, you could think "play the major triads built on the b3 and the 4." Or alternatively, "play the major triad built on the b3, and then the triad a whole step up." Whichever mental approach makes it easier for you.

There is actually another major triad hiding inside all dorian scales (in A dorian, they are C major, D major and G major). I've picked the pair of C major triad and D major triad here, but you could certainly experiment with the other pairs as well.

Musical notation for the Am7 chord and its triad pairs. The first staff shows the Am7 chord in 4/4 time, with notes A, C, E, G, Bb, D. The second staff shows the C TRIAD (C, E, G) and the D TRIAD (D, F#, A).

Musical notation for the Am7 chord and its triad pairs, exercise 1. The first staff shows the Am7 chord and the C TRIAD (C, E, G) and D TRIAD (D, F#, A) pairs. The second staff shows the C TRIAD and D TRIAD pairs in a sequence, with the text "etc..." at the end.

Musical notation for the Am7 chord and its triad pairs, exercise 2. The first staff shows the Am7 chord and the C TRIAD (C, E, G) and D TRIAD (D, F#, A) pairs. The second staff shows the C TRIAD and D TRIAD pairs in a sequence, with the text "etc..." at the end.

Musical notation for the Am7 chord and its triad pairs, exercise 3. The first staff shows the Am7 chord and the C TRIAD (C, E, G) and D TRIAD (D, F#, A) pairs. The second staff shows the C TRIAD and D TRIAD pairs in a sequence, with the text "etc..." at the end.