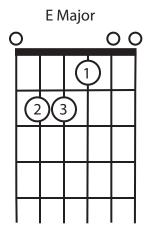
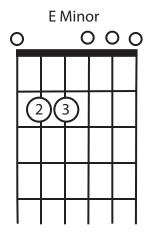
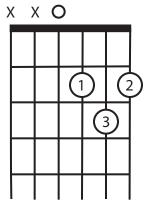
Major to Minor. To make a minor chord from a major chord on the guitar fretboard, the third of the chord must be lowered a half step. (This theory is covered in the articles on intervals and the article "chords derived from scales.)



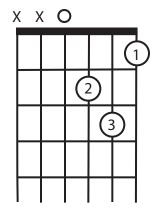
The E major chord is spelled E (root), $G^{\#}$ (3rd) and B (5th). To form the E minor chord from the major, flat the $G^{\#}$ to G. The spelling of the E minor chord is then E (root), G (3rd) and B (5th). This is achieved on the fret board by raising the first finger off the $G^{\#}$ sounded on the 3rd string (1st fret) and then sounding the open G string.

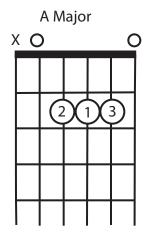


D Major



The D major chord is spelled D (root), $F^{\#}$ (3rd) and A (5th). To form the D minor chord from the major, flat the $F^{\#}$ to F. The spelling of the D minor chord is then D (root), F (3rd) and A (5th). This is achieved on the fret board by lowering the $F^{\#}$ on the 1st string (2nd fret) to the F on the 1st string (1st fret). This requires the movement of both the 1st and 2nd fingers. DMinor





The A major chord is spelled A (root), $C^{\#}$ (3rd) and E (5th). To form the A minor chord from the major, flat the $C^{\#}$ to C. The spelling of the A minor chord is then A (root), C (3rd) and E (5th). This is achieved on the fret board by lowering the $C^{\#}$ on the 2nd string (2nd fret) to the C on the 2nd string (1st fret). This requires the movement of both the 1st and 3rd fingers.

A Major

