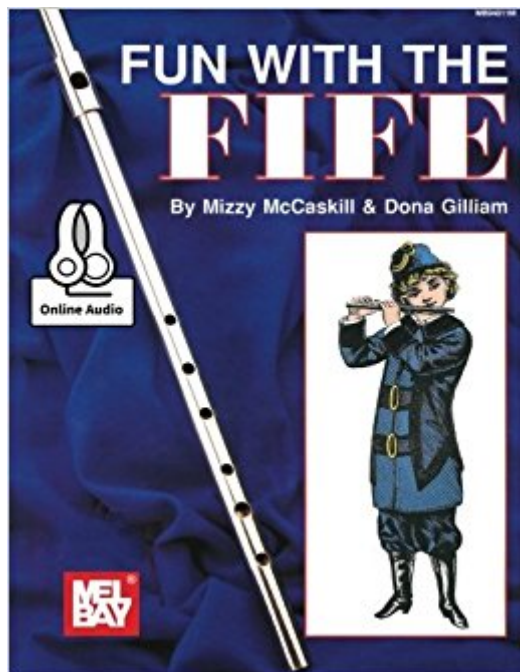


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# Fun With The Fife



## Synopsis

An easy-to-understand, basic instructional text for the fife. Presents wonderful fife tunes and carefully written studies. Tunes include: Albina; Aldridge's Allemande; All Through the Night; and many more fun titles! Audio download available online.

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I can read music and I can play brass and reeded instruments. Wanting to get into a bit of 'simple' instrument playing, I picked this and a fife out of 's vast catalog of stuff. The book was easy to understand, though I suspect the song list won't generate much enthusiasm in the younger generation. I'd like to comment on the enjoyment actually playing the songs brought me, but alas, I'm apparently inept when it comes to this kind of instrument. Rather than approach the songs in a tabulature type format consisting of diagrams of open and closed holes, it introduces the scale, provides fingerings and gives you a breakdown of musical notation. With a bit of effort you can learn to read music in general from this, rather than learning only how to play the fife.

This is a good book for the beginner through intermediate. It teaches fingerings and blowing technique as well as the music aspect of reading notes and rythms. It is written for a Bb fife; my son has a G fife, but since he is playing alone, it doesn't matter. Some of the early tunes in the book include playing sharps, which might be a little difficult for the beginner, but it also might produce a better player learning that so early. The tunes carry you through whole notes to sixteenth note; 4/4 time through 9/8. Looks to be an overall very good book to learn with.

Has some good stuff. Obviously written for someone who know a little about music though. That person is not me. I learned a lot though.

I am a complete novice playing musical instruments and this book is easy to understand. The music is for a different flute in a different key than the one I got but it was easy to make an adjustment to get it to work. I closed off the first and last holes and viola it works!

Exactly what I needed

I purchased a fife a while ago and needed to learn to play it. This book really shows you how. It shows proper blowing techniques and fine fingering. It goes from simple to more complex tunes as you learn each fingering. I now play my fife with ease. Great for penny whistles and other 6 hole instruments too.

There is no "fun" with fife. This should be a mandated outside instrument for my daughter. What have I done...

Just the book I need to teach my daughter the fife along with learn it myself too.

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