

BACH

Prelude in C minor

This prelude is not as daunting as it looks.

Each bar uses a similar 12 note pattern and many of the notes are repeated.

Try a few bars and you'll see what I mean.

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This Prelude is in the key of Eb which has
3 flats - Bb, Eb, Ab (marked in red)

The musical score is divided into four systems, each containing three measures. The key signature is Eb major (3 flats: Bb, Eb, Ab). Red dots on the notes indicate the key signature. Fingerings are indicated by numbers 1-5. Chords are labeled in red above and below the staves.

Measure 1: Treble: C (1), Eb (3), G (5). Bass: C (5). Chords: C, G Eb.

Measure 2: Treble: C (1), Eb (3), G (5). Bass: C (1), G (3). Chords: C, G Eb.

Measure 3: Treble: C (1), F (3), Ab (5). Bass: C (1), Ab (2). Chords: C, F Ab, Ab F.

Measure 4: Treble: C (1), F (3), Ab (5). Bass: C (1), Ab (2). Chords: C, F Ab, Ab F.

Measure 5: Treble: B (1), D (3), F (5). Bass: C (1), Ab (2). Chords: B D F, Ab F.

Measure 6: Treble: B (1), D (3), F (5). Bass: C (1), Ab (2). Chords: B D F, Ab F.

Measure 7: Treble: G (1), C (3), Eb (5). Bass: C (1), Eb (2). Chords: G C Eb, Eb C.

Measure 8: Treble: G (1), C (3), Eb (5). Bass: Bb (1), Eb (2). Chords: G C Eb, Bb Eb C.

Measure 9: Treble: G (1), C (3), Eb (5). Bass: Ab (1), Eb (2). Chords: G C Eb, Ab Eb C.

Measure 10: Treble: G (1), C (3), Eb (5). Bass: G (1), Eb (2). Chords: G C Eb, Eb C.

Measure 11: Treble: A (1), C (3), Eb (5). Bass: Eb (1), C (2). Chords: A C Eb, Eb C.

Measure 12: Treble: A (1), C (3), Eb (5). Bass: F# (1), D (2). Chords: A C Eb, F# D.

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13 A Bb D G Bb D G

1 2 4 1 3 5 1 2 5

G D Bb G Bb G Eb G Eb

16 A Eb G A C F# A C F#

1 3 5 1 2 5 1 2 5

C C A D D A D D A

19 Bb D G C F# A D G B

1 2 5 1 3 5 1 2 4

D D Bb D Eb C D G D

22 D F# C C# G Bb C Eb A

1 2 5 1 3 5 1 2 5

D A F# D G Eb D F# D

25 Bb E G A C G A C F#

1 2 5 1 2 5 1 2 5

D E A# D Eb C D D A

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28 G Bb E F# A Eb G Bb D

1 2 5 1 2 5 1 3 5

D C# Bb D C A D Bb G

31 G A C F# A Eb F# A Eb

1 2 4 1 2 5 1 2 5

D Eb C D D A G Eb C

34 G A C A C F# C F# A

1 2 4 1 2 5 1 3 5

G D B G Eb C G Eb C

37 B D G B D F G C Eb

1 2 5 1 3 5 1 2 4

G G D G Ab F G Eb C

40 F# C Bb F# C Bb G B D B G B D E C A F# G

1 3 5 1 2 1 3 5 1 2 3 4 2 1 4

G Eb C G Eb C G G