B♭madd11 Guitar Chord Chart

B♭ minor add 11 · notes B♭ D♭ F E♭ · formula 1 ♭3 5 11 · 7 voicings

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The formula



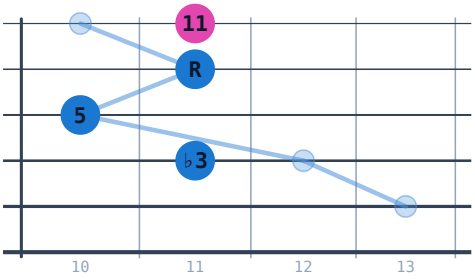
Character: 🍃 earthy

Triad note root, 3rd or 5th, played in its place **Substitute** an extension on a triad note's string
Added an extension on a string of its own **Anchored root** the root on the string below
Bass a slash chord's bass note **Doubling** the same note an octave away

7 ways to play B♭madd11

C shape · 1st inversion

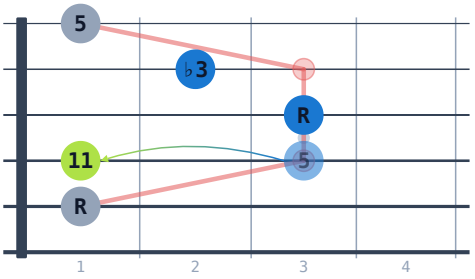
B♭madd11/D♭



x x 11 10 11 11
♭3 5 1 11 (D♭ F B♭ E♭)
Base triad: B♭ minor, 1st inversion The 11th gets a string of its own.

A shape · 2nd inversion

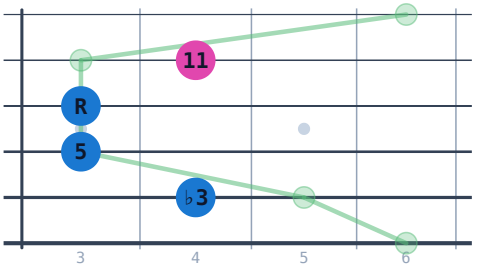
B♭madd11/E♭



x 1 1 3 2 1
11 1 ♭3 (E♭ B♭ D♭)
Base triad: B♭ minor, 2nd inversion The 11th takes the 5th's string.

G shape · 1st inversion

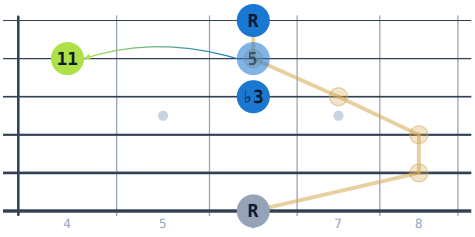
B♭madd11/D♭



x 4 3 3 4 x
♭3 5 1 11 (D♭ F B♭ E♭)
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E shape · 1st inversion

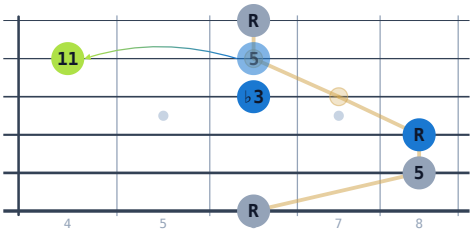
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6 x x 6 4 6
♭3 11 1 (D♭ E♭ B♭)
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E shape · Root position

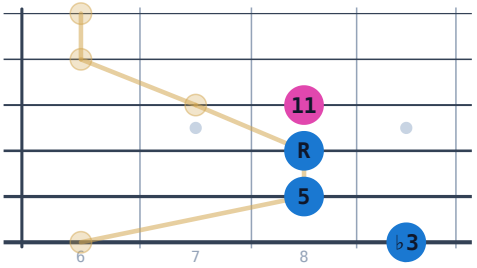
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6 8 8 6 4 6
1 ♭3 11 (B♭ D♭ E♭)
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E shape · 1st inversion

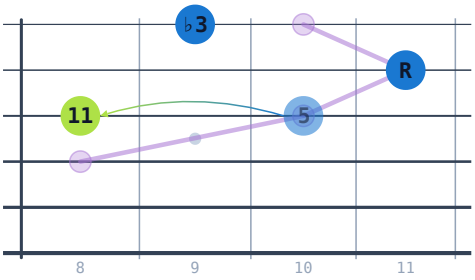
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9 8 8 8 x x
♭3 5 1 11 (D♭ F B♭ E♭)
Base triad: B♭ minor, 1st inversion The 11th gets a string of its own.

D shape · 2nd inversion

B♭madd11/E♭



x x x 8 11 9

11 1 ♭3 (E♭ B♭ D♭)

Base triad: B♭ minor, 2nd inversion The 11th takes the 5th's string.

Construction rules

Start from a triad. Root, 3rd and 5th, stacked in thirds. The 3rd makes it major or minor; the 5th makes it diminished or augmented when it moves.

No 7th, no stack. 6, add9, add11 and 6/9 are a triad with a colour note, not a stack. Without a 7th the chord sounds open rather than jazzy.

On guitar, something has to give. Each extension takes the string of a triad note that matters less, usually the 5th, or gets a string of its own. The root and 3rd stay: they say what the chord is.