Dm7 Guitar Chord Chart

D minor 7th · notes D F A C · formula 1 ♭3 5 ♭7 · 17 voicings

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The formula



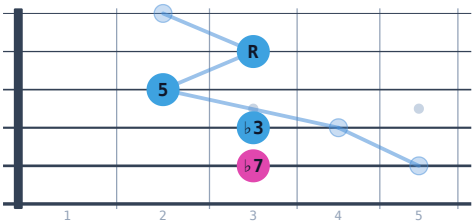
Character: 🍑 **mellow**

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

17 ways to play Dm7

C shape · 3rd inversion

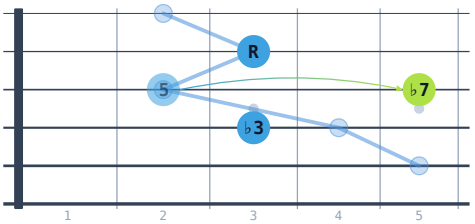
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C shape · 1st inversion

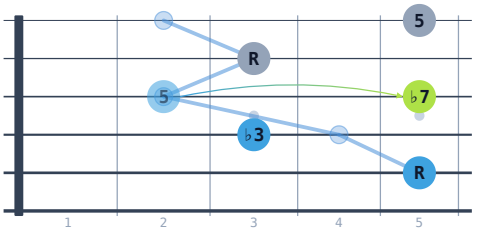
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C shape · Root position

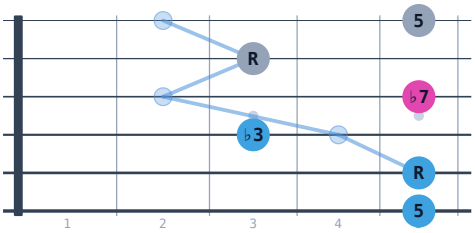
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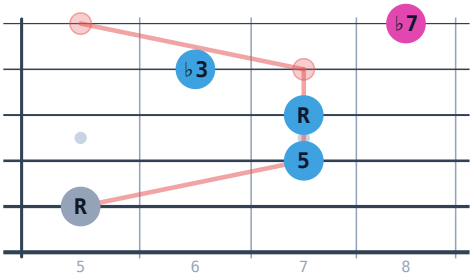
Dm7/A



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A shape · 2nd inversion

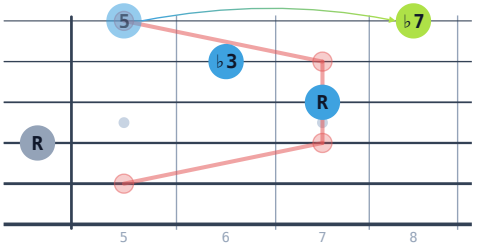
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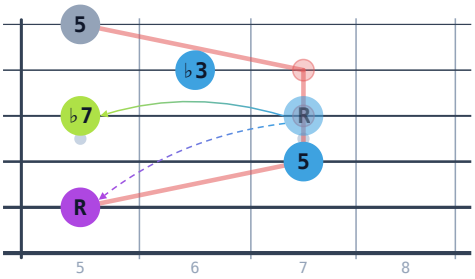
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A shape · 2nd inversion · Anchored

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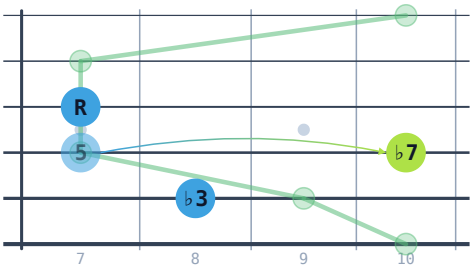
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G shape · 1st inversion

Dm7/F



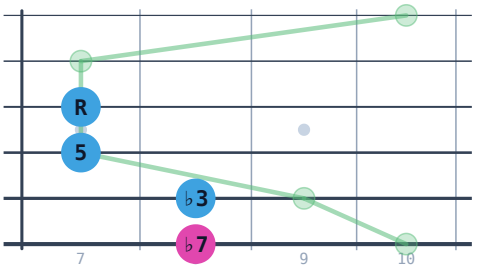
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G shape · 3rd inversion

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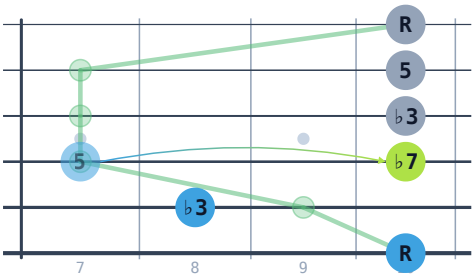
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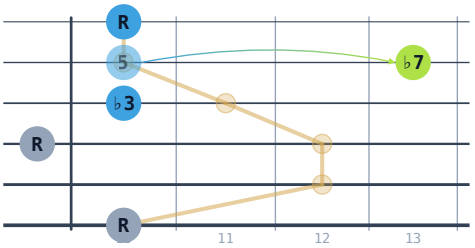
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E shape · 1st inversion

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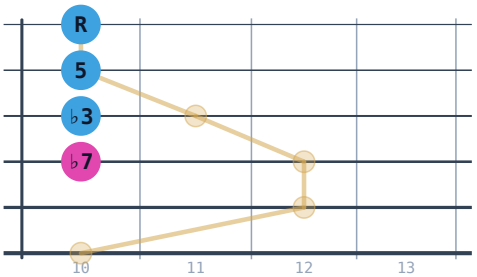
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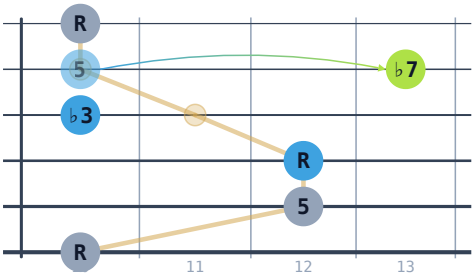
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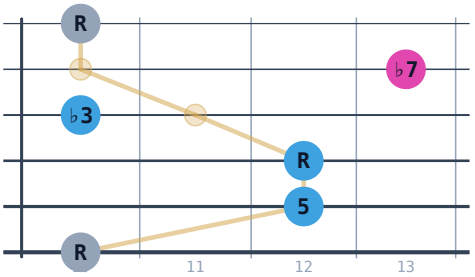
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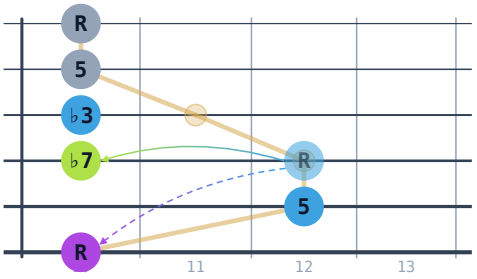
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E shape · 2nd inversion · Anchored

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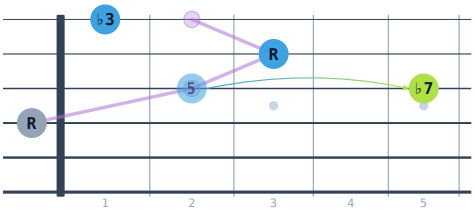
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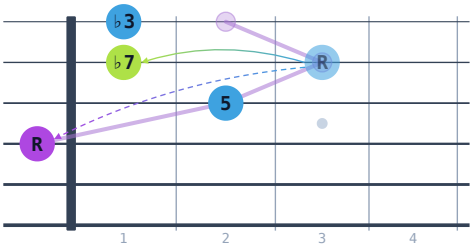
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Construction rules

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.

A third on top makes a 7th chord. A major 7th over a major triad is maj7, a ♭7 is a dominant 7. Over minor you get m7 or m(maj7); over diminished, m7♭5 or the °7, whose 7th is lowered twice.

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.

The root can move down. When an extension needs the root’s string, the root can drop to the string below the triad: an anchored voicing keeps the bass and frees a string on top.