Minor Drama Chord Progression Chart

i – iv – ♭VI – V7 · in A minor: 4 bars

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The progression in A minor

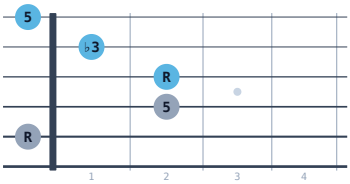
i	iv	♭VI	V7
Am	Dm	F	E7

Why it works: A dramatic minor arc. The i, iv and bVI add weight with the natural minor sound, then the V7 snaps back to the harmonic minor, whose raised 7th points home. The contrast is the drama.

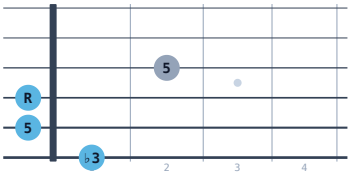
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How to play it in A minor

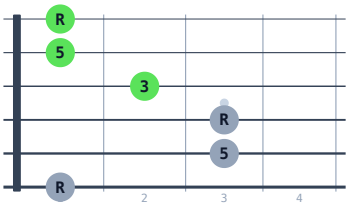
i · Am · A shape



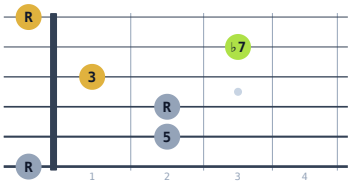
iv · Dm · E shape



♭VI · F · E shape



V7 · E7 · E shape



Minor Drama in every key

Key	i	iv	♭VI	V7
C minor	Cm	Fm	A♭	G7
C♯ minor	C♯m	F♯m	A	G♯7
D minor	Dm	Gm	B♭	A7
D♯ minor	D♯m	G♯m	B	A♯7
E minor	Em	Am	C	B7
F minor	Fm	B♭m	D♭	C7
F♯ minor	F♯m	Bm	D	C♯7
G minor	Gm	Cm	E♭	D7
G♯ minor	G♯m	C♯m	E	D♯7
A minor	Am	Dm	F	E7
B♭ minor	B♭m	E♭m	G♭	F7
B minor	Bm	Em	G	F♯7

What to play over it

Over the whole progression: A Natural minor · A Minor pentatonic · A Harmonic minor

Chord by chord: Am: A Natural minor · Dm: D Dorian · F: F Lydian · E7: E Phrygian dominant