A Dorian Scale Guitar Chart

notes A B C D E F♯ G · formula 1 2 ♭3 4 5 6 ♭7 · steps W H W W W H W

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Formula

W	H	W	W	W	H	W
1	2	♭3	4	5	6	♭7

A Dorian is the 2nd mode of the Major family.

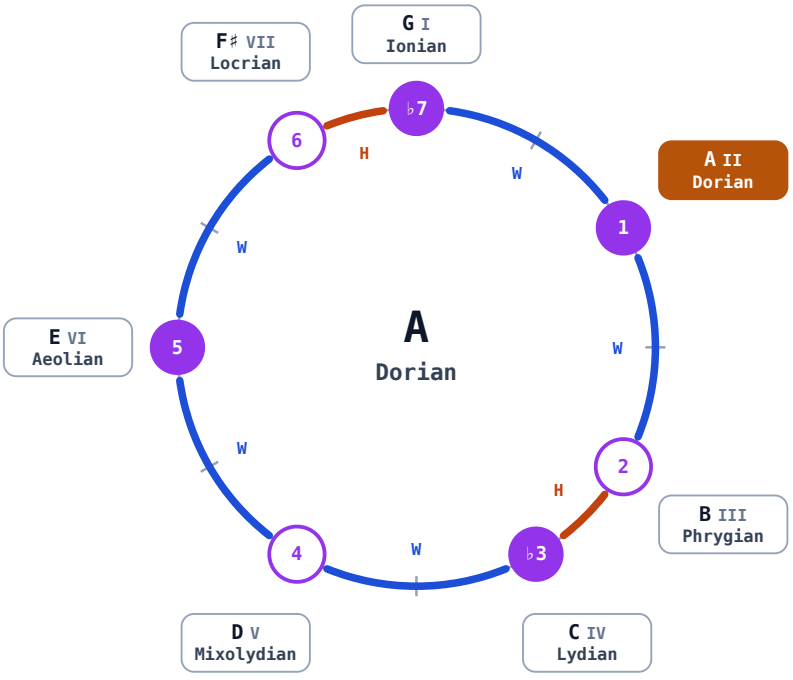
Sound: Minor with a bright 6: soulful, funky, hopeful

Where it is used: Minor with a bright 6th: minor funk, soul, rock and jazz vamps. The usual choice over a m7 chord, such as the ii of a jazz ii–V–I.

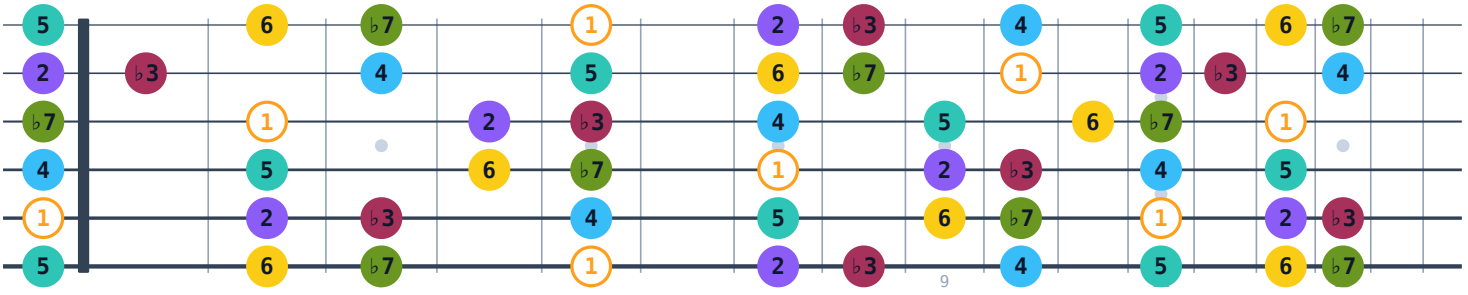
Chords in the scale: i Am7 · ii Bm7 · ♭III Cmaj7 · IV D7 · v Em7 · vi° F♯m7♭5 · ♭VII Gmaj7

Same notes, other modes: A Dorian · B Phrygian · C Lydian · D Mixolydian · E Natural minor · F♯ Locrian · G Major

A Dorian on the chromatic circle



The whole neck



Each dot is named by its degree; the root is drawn as a ring.