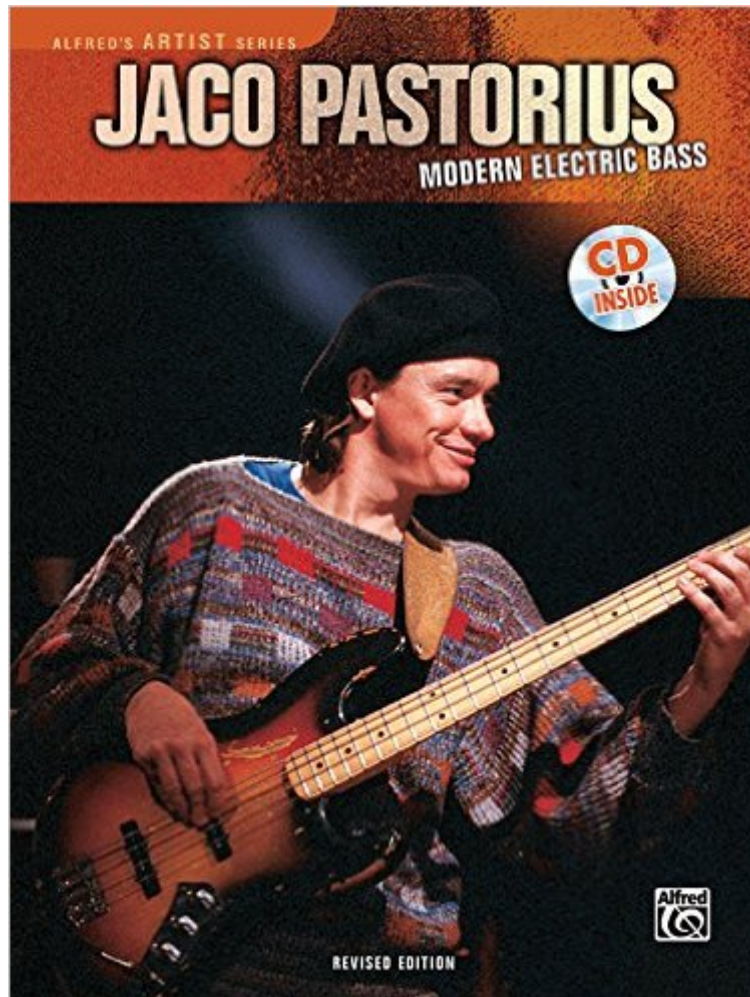


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# Modern Electric Bass, Revised Edition (Book & CD) (Alfred's Artist Series)



## Synopsis

Jaco Pastorius, one of the greatest bass players of all time, forged a landmark bass style that still permeates music today. His melodic sense, delicate touch, and groundbreaking bass grooves have influenced generations of musicians, while his music has consistently topped readers' and critics' polls worldwide. This book and CD set features transcriptions of the examples and solos from Jaco's Modern Electric Bass DVD, with an interview by legendary bassist Jerry Jemmott. The CD concludes with a trio performance with John Scofield and Kenwood Dennard.

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## Customer Reviews

This instructional book gives many exercises from Jaco himself. It has a cd that comes with it that helps out. It covers harmonics (has a chart) and ways to improve your left hand speed, precision, and clarity. The book itself is clear enough that you can use it to teach yourself. Though the book goes with the video (of the same name) so it's good to get both. Also, on the cd is a jam session with Jaco and an interview. All in all it's a great value and no Jaco collection is complete without it.

First of all, I'm not a die-hard Jaco fan. Hell, he isn't even in my personal top 10 list. So my reason for giving this 5 stars is not "because it's Jaco"; it's because this package contains a WEALTH of bass knowledge and exercises designed for the non-beginner, jam packed into a 36 page book and single CD. The contents of this book/CD package were directly taken from the video edition of the

same title. But the book/CD stands alone as a separate product; you DO NOT need the video to make sense of it. In fact after I bought this, it was still years before I got to see the video. The book starts off with a quick review of the scales and modes, and the rest consists of transcriptions of all the exercises and solo pieces found on the CD. One thing that sets some of these exercises apart from other books is that they're fun and musical, not boring and mechanical. You may have learned all your scales and modes before, but these exercises have you practicing and playing them in new ways and in new position. Jaco also covers the use of chords, harmonics, playing in odd beat divisions, and plays a few solo songs that really put it all together with groove. All of the exercises are GREAT for helping you think-out-side-the-box. Aside from the exercises, the CD also contains some of the band-performed music found on the video and interview clips. Jaco talks about subjects like the importance of reading sheet music (a good reason why this book contains no tablature), how he became a bass player, and playing different musical styles. Considering this book/CD set has pretty much everything from the video and costs half as much, I'd actually recommend this product over the video itself.

Basically a transcription of an informal session with another bass player. Jaco gives really good exercises on how he learned the scales on the fingerboard. They transcribed every thing he played at this session. Get the DVD so you can see his fingering too even though it's notated pretty well in the book. Jaco knows where every fret is in every key. Another example of how knowing your scales and arpeggios in every key goes a long way. Not only was he naturally talented, but he worked really hard on learning to read and playing scales.

Got this today, returning it tomorrow. It looks like Alfred pretty much just photocopied the original Manhattan Music Publishing edition's glossy pages and cover, rendering a product that looks like a printout of the bootleg .pdf editions you can find floating around on the web. Abysmal quality. Scour eBay for an older MMP copy--avoid this edition.

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