

# HOW TO DETERMINE WHAT KEY YOUR CONCERTINA IS IN and HOW TO PLAY WITH CONCERTINAS IN OTHER KEYS

Table of keys: When button No. 5 on right is pressed the tone is A, the key of Concertina is "C"  
 the tone is C, the key of Concertina is "E flat"  
 the tone is G, the key of Concertina is "B flat"  
 the tone is F, the key of Concertina is "A flat"  
 the tone is Bb, the key of Concertina is C sharp

Press "5"		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Line
<b>A</b>	<b>C concertina</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Bb</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C#</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>Eb</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F#</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>Ab</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>C</b>	<b>Eb concertina</b>	<b>F#</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>Ab</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Bb</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C#</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>Eb</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>G</b>	<b>Bb concertina</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C#</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>Eb</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F#</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>Ab</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Bb</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>Ab concertina</b>	<b>C#</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>Eb</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F#</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>Ab</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Bb</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Bb</b>	<b>C# concertina</b>	<b>Ab</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Bb</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C#</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>Eb</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F#</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>5</b>

This chart is simple to use. Two examples follow:

- (1) Let's say someone is playing a "C" concertina from sheet music written in the key of "G". Your instrument is a Bb and you wish to join in. To find the key that you must play in go from left to right in line No. 1, until you come to the "G" at column 11. This is the sheet music key. Next go down to line No. 3, which is the Bb concertina line and your answer is "A". Therefore you must play in three sharps to match the other person.
- (2) Now let's assume that the person above has "C#" concertina and yours is an Eb. The sheet music remains the same "G". Go from left to right in the 5th line until you come to "G" column 12. and go up to the 2nd line. Your answer is "F".

If the concertina key is unknown. Press the No. 5 button on the right hand side and compare it with a piano. It should match one of the five keys on the extreme left column on the chart.

Note: Pulling the right hand..... ♠ (C)....this will also tell you the concertina key