



How to Play ... “Jolly Old Saint Nicholas”

Even though the example is in Eb Major, warm up with the Bb Major scale. Notice the range of the piece never includes the Ab, but goes up to G and down to Bb -- So focusing on these pitches provides the technique needed for this piece.


Bb 6-note



7 Bb 6-note tongue



13 Tricky 1 Tricky 2



The image shows three lines of musical notation in treble clef, Eb major, 2/4 time. The first line is labeled 'Bb 6-note' and contains six measures of a simple six-note scale. The second line is labeled '7 Bb 6-note tongue' and contains seven measures of a six-note scale with a tongue mark on the first note. The third line is labeled '13 Tricky 1 Tricky 2' and contains two measures of a six-note scale with a double bar line in the middle, followed by two more measures of a six-note scale.

“Jolly Old Saint Nicholas” music by John Piersol McCaskey (transposed)



The image shows two lines of musical notation in treble clef, Eb major, 2/4 time. The first line contains eight measures of music, and the second line contains eight measures, starting with a measure number '9' at the beginning.