

Swing Montuno Study

Middle section of Highest Praises



Allegro capriccioso - lively & playful

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Piano

$\text{♩} = 120$

Am7 D9 Gm7 C9

Medium fast flowing swing jazz

Swing Montuno 1

8

Am7 D9 Gm7

Swing Montuno 2

14

C9 Am7 D9

20

Gm7 C9

Swing Montuno Study (2)

Swing Montuno 3

25

Am7 D9 Gm7

Swing Montuno 4

31

C9 Am7 D9

Fine

37

Gm7 C9 Am9

- A montuno's role is to define the rhythmic form AND the harmonic form. The play with the rhythmic tension in 4/4 is quite complex enough for most. In swing, 6/8, it is a Herculean challenge, but musically thrilling.
- The African 6/8 "Bembe Agogo" (Cowbell) pattern has the pulse (downbeat) plus Clave, use this first.
- Great percussionists imply and substitute 6/8 patterns into songs in 4/4. Try doing it with these montunos.

Bembe Percussion Roles

Clave

Agogo

Shekere

Conga

slap tone tone slap tone tone