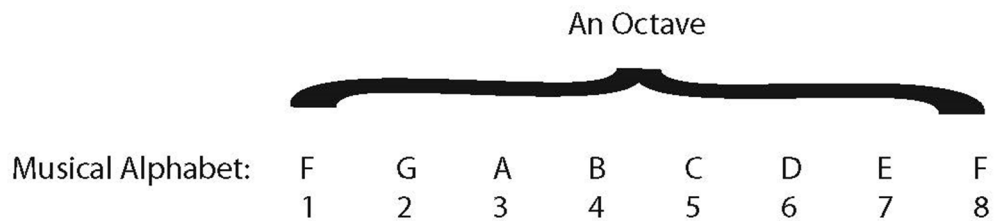


## The Octave

An octave is the same note up or down 8 letters in the musical alphabet. The musical alphabet as we know goes A B C D E F G and then repeats up or down in either direction. Therefore, The next A up or down from the first A in the alphabet is it's octave: A - B - C - D - E - F - G - A ← this A is the octave of the first A. The octave is a very common musical pattern in bass playing.



The pattern for playing an octave on the bass is consistent throughout the fret-board. It is always 2 frets over and 2 strings up or down from any note on the E or A string.

Example:

