

Santur Study



We instruct Santur from basics to the highest professional level. The followings are our step by step study etudes. Our etudes are all in **English and Persian** and include DVD/CVD (your choice). CVD must be played by computer but it is easy to loop each individual lesson.

1-The Santur tuning book and Persian intervals-1997 (in English and Persian languages) including DVD/CVD by Ahmad Borhani

For centuries, the tuning of the Santur was the biggest challenge for the students. It used to take about 5 years for an average student to learn how to tune the instrument. Now technology helps us to tune the Santur even before we start studding it. This visual etude in the tuning of Santur and other instruments instructs you how to use a chromatic tuner to tune your Santur. It instructs you all the details of the complicated Persian Music Intervals. This knowledge about the perfect exact pitch Persian intervals and scales help other instrument players to tune their instruments too. The book is very easy to use. It is in 42 pages color printed. Book and DVD/CVD \$50.00

[Tuning Book sample](#)

2- Etude in Santur- Book One 1994(beginners- in English and Persian languages) including DVD/CVD by Ahmad Borhani

This is for the first time in the history of Persian Music that an instructor has put the best of his knowledge into a visual etude for public. We video captured this studies since we believe in the development of Persian Music. This is a practical and self-instructing method for beginners to learn to play Santur without the need of an instructor. It is based on playing music notations. The results of this etude is beyond satisfaction. The DVD/CVD let you have your teacher with you at any time you need him. The book includes a short history of Persian Music, the History of Santur,

music theory, Mezraab (Hammer) technique and 30 practical music lessons. The book is in 70 black & white pages and mostly in Persian language, but video tape is in Persian and English language both. Book and DVD/CVD \$ 50.00

[Book One sample](#)

3- Etude in Santur- Book 2 1997 (intermediate- in English and Persian languages) including DVD/CVD by Ahmad Borhani

Following the etude no 1, Book 2 begins with legato and roll (RIZZ) music notations playing on Santur. You learn all the skills of the advanced Persian hammering styles in this book. After you finish the book, you will be able to begin playing the RADIEF of ABOLHASAN SABA for the Santur. Radief is the base and the spirit of Persian music. Book and DVD/CVD \$ 50.00

[Book 2 sample](#)

4- Seven pieces in Shure Dastgah- 2000, Radief style of Abolhasan Saba and Habib Somai (in English and Persian languages), including DVD/CVD by Ahmad Borhani

Now it's the time to start playing Radief samples by notations. This book instructs you to play compete formal concert in Shure Dastgah. It is played in slow meter to make the learning process easy. This is an introduction to Radief playing. Book and DVD/CVD \$ 50.00

[Seven pieces sample](#)

5- Avaz e Afshari - 2003, Radief e Saba for Santur- Book II (in English and Persian languages), including DVD/CVD by Ahmad Borhani.

Now it is time to get more familiar with Radief playing style. Radief is in 12 different modal systems, 7 Dastgahs (including: Shure, Mahur, Rast Panjgah, Nava, Homayoun, Segah, Chahargah) and 5 Avazes (including: Abuata, Dashti, Afshari, Bayat e Tork, Isfahan). This is complete Avaz e Afshari playing by notations from formal Radief e Saba for Santur, book II. This help you to get familiar with hammer patterns of Radief and be able to understand it much better. Book and DVD/CVD \$ 50.00

[Avaz e Afshari sample](#)

6- Five Chaharmezrabs in Shure Dastgah- 2000(advanced, in English and Persian languages), **including CVD by Ahmad Borhani.**

This is an advanced etude to get familiar with the styles of the most famous Santur maestros by playing notations. After you finish this etude, you will be able to play the most complicated pieces composed for Santur, Book an CVD (in real player format only) \$50.00

[Five Chaharmezrabs sample](#)

7- Santur Book III- Hammer pattern control- 2010, and DVD/CVD \$50

This book is published for very advanced players who want to create their own music pieces including their own version of Radief. It instructs all the hammer patterns composed for Santur during Santur's history. To watch the sample please link on:

[Santur book III video](#)

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