

Aidan Sheehan - "Cajun, Zydeco and Swamp Harp". All "draw notes" are *red*.

"Petits Yeux Noirs" 3;4 waltz by D.L. Menard. https://youtu.be/XcijwTgu_gyk

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À ce matin je m'ai trouvé assis dessus mon lit,
J'ai pleuré avec un cœur aussi cassé,
Parce que j'avais rêvé à mes chères petits "Yeux Noirs",
Alle a parti, elle va jamais s'en revenir.

This morning I found myself sitting on my bed,
I cried with such a broken heart,
Because I had dreamt of my dear little "Dark Eyes",
She's gone and she's never gonna come back.

"Saute Crapaud" "Jump Frog!" 6;8 Cajun jig <https://youtu.be/XkBO8gg7yg4>

A part

6 6 5 4 5 6 **5 5 4** _(3 4) **5** ₍₄₎ **5 4 3 4 5 5 4 4** (x2)

B part

3 2 3 1 2 3 4 **4 5 4** _(rest) **5 4 3** 3 3 2 3 4 **4 5 4** (x2)

Saute crapaud! Ta queue va brûler!
Mais prends courage; elle va repousser!
Va y donc, crapaud! L'hiver après prendre!

Jump frog! Your tail is going to burn!
But take courage; It'll grow back!
Go ahead, frog! Winter draws near!

(NB; there are both "kids versions" and "adult versions" of this song).

"Zydeco Groove"

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"Cajun Splits Groove"

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Then try **33 3,, 32 1 233** **33 3,, 32 1 2 3 2** (x2)

At my "Harpin' by the Sea" 2021 Zoom workshop (Sunday 7th February at 12.30 pm) we will add some necessary Cajun flavour to your harping. Pretend that your harp is a Cajun accordion just for one day (or maybe a Cajun fiddle if you can't get those octave splits. Either way is fine). Have your diatonic key of C harp with you. And for a fine Cajun music and history book, I highly recommend reading "Cajun Music" (A Reflection of a People) Volume One by Ann Allen Savoy (Bluebird Press, USA, 1998, ISBN 0-9301669-00 X SOFT COVER VERSION). Aidan aidanharpseehan@gmail.com