## **DeeJay Diddles**

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Diddle figures are some of our favorite rudimental staples. This exercise uses several common diddle stickings and arranges them in a groovy pattern that should be a lot of fun to play. Remember to allow your grip to continue to breathe but without letting your fingers off the sticks. Don't let the flow of syncopated accents be interrupted (particularly on the "e" of the beat) and strive to feel a good quarter note pulse against the accent pattern you're playing. You should sense the backbeat here, so for fun you might try marking time on 2 and 4 as well as on each beat.

