

Basic picking patterns for  
Bulgarian and Macedonian tambura.

D = pluck down on the string  
U = pluck up on the string

2/4   
D U D U

5/8   
D U D U D

6/8   
D U D D U D

7/8  rŭčenica  
D U D U D U D

7/8  lesnoto  
D U D D U D U

9/8   
D U D U D U D U D

11/8   
D U D U D U D D U D U

And so on... the more complicated times are left to the extrapolation of the intrepid.