

## Travis Picking Style

**Travis Picking**, a fingerstyle technique named after Merle Travis (1917-1983), is common in popular styles of music, including folk, country, and bluegrass. The right-hand pattern in *Dust in the Wind* is: **p - p - i - p - m - p - i**. Notice that the index finger always plays the 3rd string and the middle finger always plays the 2nd. The thumb always alternates between the 4th and 5th strings.

### Dust in the Wind

Kansas

### Freight Train

Elizabeth Cotten  
(1895 - 1987)