

black crowes - High Head Blues

Song : High Head Blues

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I transcribed the song for two guitars. To play it, invite a friend to play the other part, turn off the speaker with the guitarpart you're playing, or just play both guitars at the same time (which is in fact, quite difficult).

The bars you see are not really bars in the strict 4/4-measure meaning. They just indicate small pieces of music that belong together. Just listen to the record and you'll know what I mean.

The most difficult feature of the song is probably the rhythm. It was in fact rather impossible to write the exact rhythm down. Again, listening to the record is a good solution.

Here we go:

INTRO

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e:-----|-----|-----|
B:-----|-----|-----|
G:-----5-----5--|-----5-----5--|-----5-----5--|
D:---4---5---4---|---4---5---4---|---4---5---4---|
A:5-----5-----|5-----5-----|5-----5-----|
E:-----|-----|-----|
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e:-----|-----|-----|
B:-----|-----|-----|
G:second-guitar-doesn't-play-anything-yet...-|-----|-----|
D:-----|-----|-----|
A:-----|-----|-----|
E:-----|-----|-----|
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e:-----|-----|-----|
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B:-----|-----|-----|
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G:-----5-----5--|-----5-----5--|-----5-----5--|
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D:---4---5---4---|---4---5---4---|---4---5---4---|
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A:5-----5-----|5-----5-----|5-----5-----|
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E:-----|-----|-----|
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e:-----|-----|-----
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B:-----|-----|-----
6-6-6-|
G:-----|bass  begins...-----|-----
5-5-5-|
D:-----|-----|-----
4-4-4-|
A:-----|-----|-----
5-5-5-|
E:-----|-----|-----
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e:-----|-----|
B:-----|-----|
G:-----5-----5-----|-----3-----2---3-|
D:---4---5---4-----|---2---5---1---2--|
A:5-----5-----|3-----2---3---|
E:-----|-----|

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e:-----|-----|
B:-----6-6-6-|-----|
G:-----5-5-5-|-----|
D:-----4-4-4-|-----|
A:-----5-5-5-|-----|
E:-----|-----|

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FIRST VERSE : I have tried to write down the first and second guitar in a relative way. This means that, when a note from the first guitar stands right on top of a note of the second guitar, that these notes should be played simultaneously. The easy way : listen to the song, turn your speakers down one at a time to hear each guitar separately (you must have stereo, off course).

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e:-----|-----|
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B:-----|-----|
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G:-----5-----5-----5-----5-----5-----5---
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D:---4-5---5---4-----4-5---5---4-----4-5---5---4---
-----2|
A:-5-----5-----5-----5-----5-----5-----
----3--|
E:-----|-----|
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      Sometimes...      (lyrics are with the Amorica-CD)
e:-----|-----|
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B: -6-6-6-----6-6-6-----6-6-6---
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G: -5-5-5-----5-----5-5-5-----5-----5-5-5---
-3-----|
D: -4-4-4-----5--5-4-----4-4-4--5--5-4-----4-4-4--
3--3-2---|
A: -5-5-5-----5-----5-5-5-----5-----5-5-5---
-----3-|
E: -----
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e: -----
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B: -----
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G: --3-----3-----5-----5-----5-----5-----
-----5--|
D: -3--3--2-----4-5--5--4-----4-5--5--4-----
--4-5--5|
A: -----3-----5-----5-----5-----5-----
5-----|
E: -----
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e: -----
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B: -----4-4-4-----6-6-6-----6-6-6-----
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G: -----3-3-3--5-----5-5-5--5-----5-5-5--5---
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D: -----2-2-2--5--5-4-----4-4-4--5--5-4-----4-4-4--5--5-
4-----|
A: -----3-3-3-----5-----5-5-5-----5-----5-5-5-----
-5-----|
E: -----
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of verse 1 repeat this entire part, for the second half

e: -----|
B: -----|
G: -----5-----3--2--3--|
D: ---4-----2-3--3-1--2---|
A: -5-----3-----2--3---|
E: -----|

e: -----|
B: 6-6-6-----|
G: 5-5-5--3-----2--3--|
D: 4-4-4--3--3-2-----1--2---|
A: 5-5-5-----3--3-2-2--3---|
E: -----|

D7 E7 D7 B7
D7 E7 D7 C7 B7 C7

I have not transcribed the solo. If you can play a bit of sologuitar, you should be able to improvise one that sounds just like it quite easily. Just keep in mind what chords the other guitar is playing.

I have not actually transcribed the second verse, or chorus, but if you can play the riffs above, you can play the entire song, all you have to do is a bit of puzzling it all together.

Any suggestions, additions or complaints are welcome. Have fun.

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