

The Unexpected Visitor

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First system of guitar tablature. The staff consists of six lines labeled D, B, G, E, G, C from top to bottom. The notation includes fret numbers (14, 12, 10, 9, 7, 5, 6, 5, 7, 5, 9) and natural notes (0, 5, 6, 7). There are two measures separated by a bar line. The first measure contains notes 14, 12, 10, 9, 7, 5, 5, 5. The second measure contains notes 7, 5, 7, 9. There are also natural notes 0 on the B, G, E, and C strings in various positions. A slur is placed under the 0s on the C string in both measures.

Second system of guitar tablature. The staff consists of six lines labeled D, B, G, E, G, C from top to bottom. The notation includes fret numbers (14, 12, 10, 9, 7, 5, 5, 5, 7, 5, 7) and natural notes (0). There are three measures separated by bar lines. The first measure contains notes 0, 0. The second measure contains notes 14, 12, 10, 9, 7, 5, 5, 5. The third measure contains notes 7, 5, 7. There are also natural notes 0 on the B, G, E, and C strings in various positions. A slur is placed under the 0s on the C string in the second and third measures.

Note 1 -----

Third system of guitar tablature. The staff consists of six lines labeled D, B, G, E, G, C from top to bottom. The notation includes fret numbers (9, 7, 0, 7, 0, 5, 7, 5) and natural notes (0, 7). There are three measures separated by bar lines. The first measure contains notes 9, 0, 0, 0. The second measure contains notes 7, 0, 7, 0, 0, 0. The third measure contains notes 5, 7, 7, 7, 5. There are also natural notes 0 on the B, G, E, and C strings in various positions. A slur is placed under the 7, 0 notes on the D string in the second measure. Above the staff, the letters 'N.H.' are written above the notes 5, 7, 7, 7, 5 in the third measure. Below the staff, the number '4' is written below the notes 9, 0, 7, 0, 5, 7, 7, 7, 5 in the three measures respectively.

0 5 0 0 5 0 5 5 9 0 7 0 5 5 7 7 5 5 0 0 0 0

N.H. N.H. N.H. N.H.N.H.

ff

4 4 4 4 4 0 2 4 3 3 2 5 5 0 0 4 0 0 0 0

----- End Note 1

N.H.

7 9 14 9 12 0 12 12 0 0 0 0

N.H. *ff*

12 0 12 12 12 0 0 2 4 3 0 0 0 0

N.H.

First system of guitar tablature. The strings are labeled D, B, G, E, G, C from top to bottom. The fret numbers are: D (2, 5), B (3, 5), G (4, 4), E (0, 0, 0), G (0, 0, 0), C (0, 0, 0). There are slurs over the B string notes (3, 5) and (8, 10), and the G string notes (10, 12). The system ends with fret numbers 12, 11, 10, and 0 on the respective strings.

N.H.

Second system of guitar tablature. The strings are labeled D, B, G, E, G, C from top to bottom. The fret numbers are: D (0, 12), B (12, 13), G (11, 0, 0), E (12, 0), G (0, 10, 12), C (0, 0, 0). There are slurs over the B string notes (12, 13) and (12, 13), and the G string notes (10, 12). The system ends with fret numbers 0, 13, 0, 12, and 12 on the respective strings.

Third system of guitar tablature. The strings are labeled D, B, G, E, G, C from top to bottom. The fret numbers are: D (14, 12, 10, 9, 7, 5, 5, 5, 7, 5, 7, 9), B (0, 6, 5, 6, 5), G (0, 0, 5, 5, 5, 5), E (0, 0, 0, 5, 7), G (0, 0, 0, 5, 5), C (0, 0, 0, 5, 5). There are slurs over the D string notes (14, 12), (10, 9), and (7, 9). There are also slurs under the C string notes (0, 0) and (0, 5).

Fourth system of guitar tablature. The strings are labeled D, B, G, E, G, C from top to bottom. The fret numbers are: D (0, 14, 12, 10, 9, 7, 5, 5, 5, 7, 5, 7), B (0, 0, 0, 0, 6, 5, 6, 5), G (0, 0, 0, 0, 5, 5, 5, 5), E (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 5, 7), G (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 5, 5), C (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 5, 5). There are slurs over the D string notes (14, 12), (10, 9), and (7, 9). There are also slurs under the C string notes (0, 0) and (0, 5).

Play staccato

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D 5 0 5 0 5 0 5 0

B 0 0 0

G 0 0 0 0

E 5 5 5 5 5 5

G 0 0 0 0 0 0

C 0 0 0 0 0 0

D 5 0 5 0 5 0 4 0 3 0 4 0 3

B 5 0 5 0 5 0 3 0 0 0 3

G 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

E 5 5 5 5 0 0

G 5 5 5 4 4

C 5 5 5 4 4

D 4 0 3 0 3 0 2 4

B 0 3 1 3 1 3 2 3

G 0 0 0 0 0 0 4 2

E 0

G 4 3 2 0 0

C 4 3 2 0 0

Note 2 -----

... | -N.H:

5 4 0 2 9 7 7

5 3 0 1 12 8 7 6

5 2 0 0 12 7 (7) 5

12

0 0

Free Time

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D	5	5	4	0	7	5	5	3	4	0
B	5	3	3	0	6	5	4	3	3	0
G	(5)	4	2	0	5	(5)	3	(3)	2	0
E										
G										
C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

D	5	0	5	0	5	0	4	0	4	0	4	0
B		5	0		5	0		3	0		3	0
G			0			0			0			0
E		5			5			0			0	
G												
C	5		5		5		4		4		4	

D	3	0	3	0	3	0	3	1	2	12	14	
B		3	1		3	1		3		10		
G		0		0	0		0	0	0	4	12	x
E												x
G												x
C	3		2				0		0			

	12	10	9	7	5	5	5	7	5	7	9
			0	6	5			6	5		
	0		0	5	5			5	5		0
	0				0				5		7
					0				5		0
					0				5		

D 0 | 14 12 | 10 9 | 7 5 | 5 5 | 7 5 | 7
 B 0 | | 0 | 6 5 | 5 | 6 5 |
 G 0 | | 0 | 5 5 | 5 | 5 |
 E 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 5 |
 G 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
 C 0 | | | 0 0 | 0 5 |

D 9 | 0 | 7 0 | 5 N.H. | 7 N.H. | 5 0 |
 B 0 | 0 | 7 0 | 5 | 7 | 7 |
 G 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
 E 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
 G | | | | | |
 C 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |

D 0 | 9 0 | 5 N.H. | 7 N.H. | 7 N.H. N.H. |
 B 5 0 | 7 0 | 5 | 7 | 7 |
 G 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
 E 5 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 5 |
 G | | | | |
 C 5 | 5 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

ff

4 4 4 4 4 | 2 5 5 |
 3 3 3 3 3 | 0 2 4 | 3 3 4 5 4 |
 4 4 4 4 4 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 0 0 |
 0 0 0 0 0 | 4 | 0 0 0 0 0 |

N.H.

Staff notation for the first system, measures 1-4. The staffs are labeled D, B, G, E, G, C from top to bottom. Measure 1: D (7), B (8), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 2: D (9), B (8-10), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 3: D (14), B (10-12), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 4: D (9 12), B (10), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). A bar line is after measure 4.

ff

N.H.

Staff notation for the second system, measures 5-8. The staffs are labeled D, B, G, E, G, C from top to bottom. Measure 5: D (12), B (13), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 6: D (0), B (12), G (11), E (10), G (0), C (0). Measure 7: D (0), B (12), G (11), E (10), G (0), C (0). Measure 8: D (0), B (12), G (11), E (10), G (0), C (0). A bar line is after measure 8. Measure 9: D (0), B (0), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 10: D (0), B (0), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 11: D (0), B (0), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 12: D (0), B (0), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). A bar line is after measure 12.

N.H.

Staff notation for the third system, measures 13-16. The staffs are labeled D, B, G, E, G, C from top to bottom. Measure 13: D (2), B (3), G (4), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 14: D (5), B (5), G (4), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 15: D (7), B (8), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 16: D (9), B (8-10), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). A bar line is after measure 16. Measure 17: D (14), B (10-12), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 18: D (9 12), B (10), G (0), E (0), G (0), C (0). A bar line is after measure 18. Measure 19: D (12), B (11), G (10), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 20: D (12), B (11), G (10), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 21: D (13), B (0), G (12), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 22: D (13), B (0), G (12), E (0), G (0), C (0).

N.H.

Staff notation for the fourth system, measures 23-26. The staffs are labeled D, B, G, E, G, C from top to bottom. Measure 23: D (0), B (12), G (11), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 24: D (12), B (0), G (12), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 25: D (0), B (12), G (11), E (0), G (0), C (0). Measure 26: D (0), B (13), G (0), E (12), G (12), C (0).

D	14	12	10	9	0	7	5	5	4	0	0	2	2	4	4	(4)	5	
B					0					0		1	1	3	3	(3)	(3)	5
G		0			0		0			0		0	0	0	0	(0)	(0)	5
E													0	0	0	(0)		0
G	0					0							0	0	0			0
C													0	0				0

D	(5)	14	12	10	9	0	7	5	5	4	0	0	2	2	4	4	(4)	
B	(5)	(5)				0					0		1	1	3	3	(3)	(3)
G	(5)	(5)			0		0		0		0		0	0	0	0	(0)	(0)
E	(0)												0	0	0			0
G		0					0						0	0	0			0
C													0	0				0

D	5	7	7	(7)	9	10	10	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
B	5	7	7	(7)	(7)	8	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
G	5	7	7	(7)	(7)	7	9	9	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
E	0	0	0	(0)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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	12	12	12						7
	10	10	10						7
	11	11	11			5			
	0	0	0			7			
	0	0	0			7			
	0	0	0		7				0