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Acoustic Guitar Tabs – 19 Easy Songs That Sound Amazing

In this free guitar lesson you will learn:

- 19 epic acoustic guitar tabs which sound amazing.
- 3 essential acoustic guitar hacks that will accelerate your guitar progress.
- These acoustic guitar tabs cover a wide range of musical genres; this will enhance your musicality.

1) 'Wish You Were Here' by Pink Floyd

This track is one of Pink Floyd's most well-known tracks.

This acoustic guitar tabs is perfect for beginners because:

- It blends chords and lead techniques into one awesome package.
- It's fantastic for practicing your alternate picking and chords.
- It sounds awesome!

There are a few tricky chords in this one, so look out for them!

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e-----|-3-3-3-3-3-1
B-----|-3-3-3-3-3-|-----|-3-3-3-3-3-|
A-----0h2------|-2--2-2-|------|-2--2-2-|
E---(3)-----|-x--x-x-|-----|-3--3-3-3--|
B-----|-3-3-3-3-1
A---0-2p0-----|-2--2-2-|-3--3-3-|--2--2-2-|
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2) 'Good Riddance (Time Of Your Life)' by Green Day

This next track was THE sound track of the 1990s.

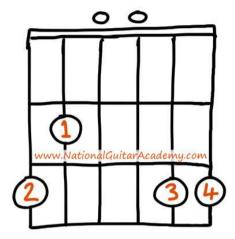
To play this song, you must know the following chords:

- G major.
- C major.
- D major.
- E minor.

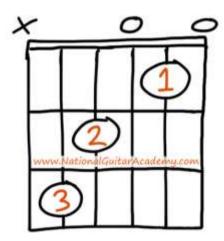
(If you don't understand the above image please read our article "How To Read Guitar Chordboxes In 60 Seconds". It will make everything clear!)

Here are the chord boxes for each of those chords:

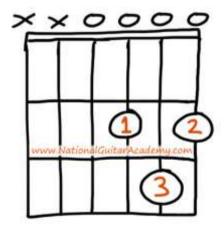
G Major



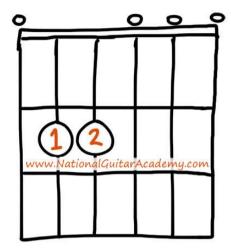
C Major



D Major



E minor



There are two sections to this song:

- Verse
- Chorus

The verse features the following chords:

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The bridge features the following chords:

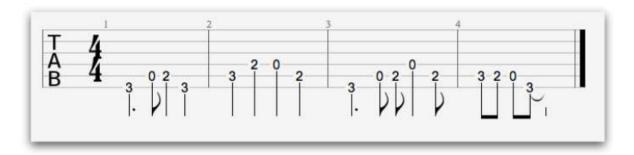
3) 'Redemption Song' by Bob Marley

This song is a reggae classic and is one of Bob Marley's most popular songs.

For this part of the lesson, we're going to learn the opening riff.

In this video, Jack will show you how to play this iconic acoustic guitar tabs:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BZb6-nle_d8&t=25s



Here are a few reasons why this acoustic guitar tabs is great to learn:

- It's fun and easy to play.
- It sounds great!
- It only uses the first 3 strings on the guitar.

4) 'Hotel California' by The Eagles

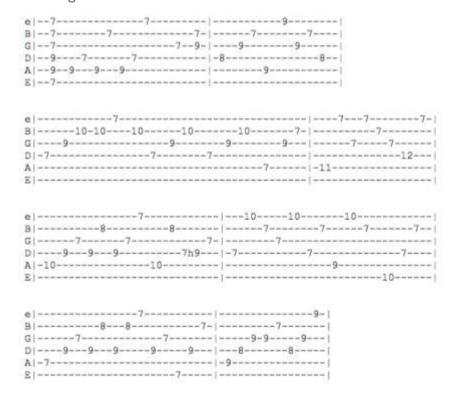
If you've ever played 'Guitar Hero', you will know this next song.

This song is EPIC and sounds fantastic when played on acoustic guitar.

For this acoustic guitar tabs, we're going to learn the intro which is played on a 12 string acoustic.

A 12 string guitar is less common than an acoustic. To learn more about weird and wonderful guitar types, go here: 9 Types of Guitar Every Guitarist Should Know

Here's the acoustic guitar tabs:



5) 'Here Comes The Sun' by The Beatles

'Here Comes The Sun' is an epic acoustic track. The opening 30 seconds of this song is THE sound of the sixties!

Here are a few reasons why this tab made it onto our list of acoustic guitar tabs:

- This progression uses open chords which sound amazing.
- This song is perfect for practicing your picking.
- It's a crowd-pleaser, EVERYONE loves this 60s hit.

To learn this song, check out this tab by Ultimate Guitar: <u>Here Comes The Sun by 'The Beatles'</u>

6) 'Tears in Heaven' by Eric Clapton

Tears in heaven is one of Eric Clapton's softer tracks, however it is an acoustic classic.

This song is perfect for enhancing your finger picking technique.

It isn't the easiest of songs to learn, however it's SO iconic we couldn't possible leave it off of this list.

To learn the full tab for this song, go here: 'Tears In Heaven' by Eric Clapton

7) 'Stairway To Heaven' by Led Zeppelin

The opening of 'Stairway To Heaven' has been heard in guitar shops for decades.

There's a reason for this, it's one of THE most iconic acoustic guitar riffs of all time.

Here a couple of reasons why you should learn this epic acoustic guitar tabs:

- It's hugely popular!
- It's a great way of enhancing your finger dexterity.
- This riff is PERFECT for practicing finger picking.

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e|----8--2-0---0-|
BI-----3----1---1
G|---5-----2----1
A | ----- |
E|-----|
el-----5--7-------
BI-1----5------
GI----2----0--2-2-----5---I
DI------6-----I
A|------|
E | ------
e|-7-8-----8-2------|
BI-----5----0-1-1---1
G|----2---0-2-2---|
A|-----2-0-0--|
E | ------
e|-----2-0------|
B|----1-----|
GI-----2----1
DI-------
A|-0-2-3-----|
E |------
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Fun Fact!

'Stairway To Heaven' was originally played on a double neck Gibson SG, an electric guitar. However, this riff also sounds epic on acoustic guitar.

To learn this song in more detail, go here: 'Hotel California' by The Eagles

Song Hack!

This song uses a capo on the 7th fret, this makes playing the song FAR easier.

If you how to use a capo, go here: How To Use A Capo

8) 'Harvest Moon' by Neil Young

'Harvest Moon' is the title track of Neil Young's 1992 album 'Harvest Moon'.

Neil Young is known for creating iconic acoustic guitar tracks and 'Harvest Moon' is no exception.

To learn this iconic acoustic guitar tabs, go here: 'Harvest Moon' by Neil Young

9) 'She Talks To Angels' by The Black Crowes

'She Talks To Angels' was one of The Black Crowes biggest hits in the 1990s.

It was off of their debut album 'Shake Your Money Maker' and was the fourth single which was released off of that album.

This track is a fantastic acoustic number, here are a few reasons why this song made it onto our list of top acoustic guitar tabs:

- The opening riff is fun to play and sounds fantastic!
- It uses open strings and sounds wicked on an acoustic.
- It's an unusual tuning, so is perfect if you want to experiment with a new tuning.

For this song, you will need to tune your guitar like this:

- E (6th string).
- B (5th string).
- E (4th string).
- G# (3rd string).
- B (2nd string).
- E (1st string).

Experimenting with new tunings can add a new flavour to your guitar playing.

To learn this classic track, go here: 'She Talks To Angels' by The Black Crowes

10) 'I'm Yours' by Jason Mraz

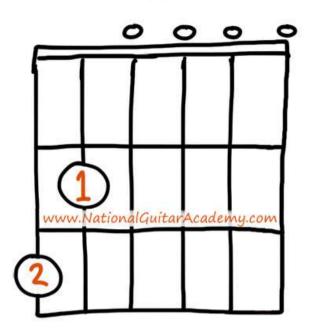
This next track is perfect for any aspiring guitarist.

Here are a few reasons why:

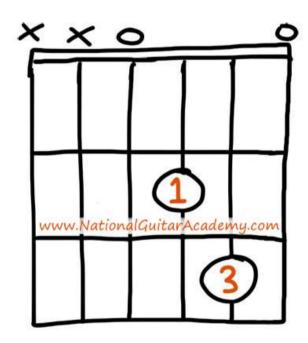
- It uses the same chords all the way through.
- It's a great introduction into reggae style strumming patterns.
- It's a crowd pleaser, EVERYONE loves this song.

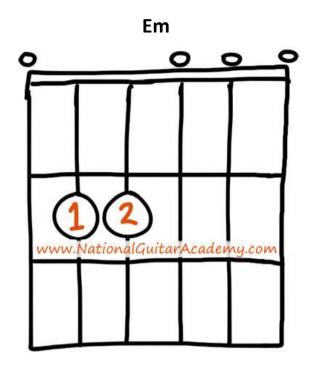
The chords in this track are:

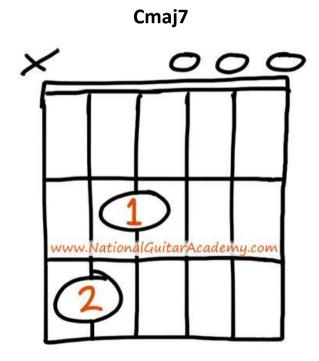
- G6.
- Dsus2.
- E minor.
- C major 7.



Dsus2







For this song, the strumming pattern is slightly unusual.

In music, most of the time you strum on every beat.

Like this:

1234

In this song, we're only going to strum on beats 2 and 4.

1234

11) 'Thinking Out Loud' by Ed Sheeran

'Thinking out loud' was one of the most played tracks of 2014. It hit number one in the UK, US, Australia, Ireland, New Zealand, Denmark, the Netherlands, Slovakia and South Africa.

It was one of the first singles to spend a whole year in the UK top 40.

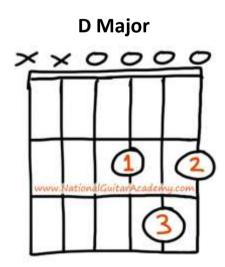
Here a few reasons why this song made it onto our list of acoustic guitar tabs:

- It's simple to learn, it only uses a few chords.
- The strumming pattern is fun and interesting to play.
- It's a crowd pleaser, if you played this at a party you would tear the house down!

 This song uses the following chords:
- D major.
- D/F#.
- G major.
- A major.

You must know these chords if you want to be able to play the intro.

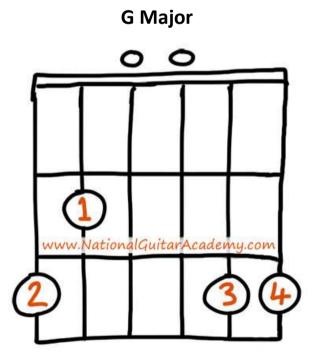
Here are the chord boxes for each of these songs:

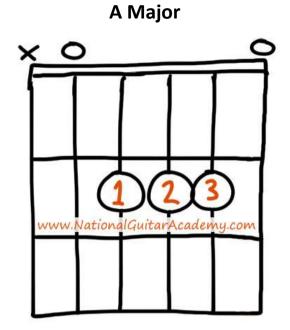


D/F#

X O

1 2





To learn this song in more detail, go here: 'Thinking Out Loud' by Ed Sheeran

12) 'Fast Car' by Tracy Chapman

'Fast Car' by Tracy Chapman is an 80s classic. This track put acoustic guitar on the map! If you're an guitarist, you must know how to play this guitar riff.

Here are a few fun facts why you should learn this track:

- This acoustic guitar riff is guaranteed to make you sound amazing.
- It goes down SO well at parties.
- It's fun to play!

Here's the acoustic guitar tabs:

13) 'Better Together' by Jack Johnson

This song is one of the best songs you can learn on acoustic.

Here are a few reasons why:

- It uses string slapping technique. Learning how to string slap enhances your musical phrasing and musicality.
- It's great for practicing barre chords.
- It's a very popular track, great for those chill out guitar sessions at home.

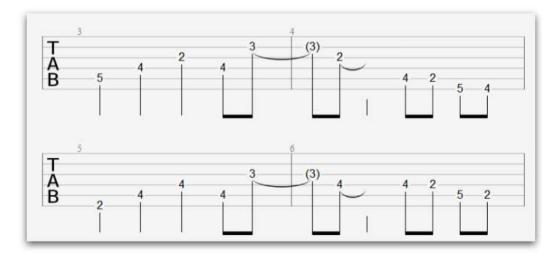
To learn how to play this track, go here: 'Better Together' by Jack Johnson

14) 'Under The Bridge' by The Red Hot Chili Peppers

This ballad is one of The Red Hot Chili Peppers most successful songs. It's was a HUGE hit for them in the 1990s and allowed them to break into the mainstream music scene.

Here are a few reasons why this track made it onto our list of acoustic guitar tabs:

- It sounds great, EVERYONE loves this track.
- It's perfect for practicing barre chords.
- If you want to nail your alternate picking, you should learn this track.



Be careful when learning this song, barring each chord is tricky. If you find barring difficult, use a capo on the 2nd fret and play the following chords:

- C Major.
- A Minor.

15) 'Sweet Home Alabama' by Lynyrd Skynyrd

This track is one of Lynyrd Skynyrd's most iconic tracks.

It's perfect for beginners because it uses 3 chords all the way through.

It sounds fantastic and is the perfect song for parties and gigs.

If you want to learn this song, you must know the following chords:

- D major.
- C major.
- G major.

To learn the track, watch this video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8yhjYpxpBDo&t=27s

16) 'Blowin In The Wind' by Bob Dylan

This song is perfect for acoustic guitarists as it only uses 3 chords.

Those chords are:

- G
- (
- D

If you want to learn this song, you need to know these chords!

To learn this chords, check out these lessons:

- How To Play The G Chord
- How To Play The C Chord
- How To Play The D Chord

This song has two sections:

- A Verse.
- A Chorus.

The verse progression goes like this:

G C | D G | G C | D |

1234 | 1234 | 1234 | 1234 |

The chorus goes like this:

C D |G C |C D |G |

1234 | 1234 | 1234 | 1234 |



17) 'Wonderwall' by Oasis

If you ever think of songs on acoustic, the first song which comes to mind is 'Wonderwall' by Oasis.

Even though it's a cliché, it wouldn't be right to not have it on this list.

For this song, you will need to know the following chords:

- Em7.
- G.
- Dsus4.
- A7sus4.
- C add 9.

This chords are a little different to standard open chords, however you could still play the following chords:

- Em
- G
- D
- A
- C

These chords would work perfectly.

To learn this song in more detail, go here: 'Wonderwall' by Oasis

18) 'Street Spirit' by Radiohead

Even though this song is played on an electric, it also sounds fantastic on an acoustic too.

There's no better sound than huge chords ringing out an acoustic.

This track is perfect for the guitarist who wants to:

- Develop their technique and dexterity.
- Practice complex chord shapes.
- Enhance their picking skills!

Here's the acoustic guitar tabs for the opening riff of this song:

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G 2222	e -	0	
2	B -	0	
D 2 A -0	G -	2222222	x4
A -0	D -	22	
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E	E -		

19) 'Shake It Off' by Taylor Swift

'Shake It Off' by Taylor Swift is one of the most popular songs of the 21st century. With other a billion hits on YouTube, there's no way that you don't know this song.

This song is perfect for beginner acoustic guitarists to learn.

Here's why:

- It uses 3 chords.
- The strumming pattern is really fun to play.
- It's a crowd pleaser, EVERYONE loves this song.

The chords in this song are:

- Am7
- Cmaj7
- G6

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