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The Chord Shapes

In typical John Mayer style, we have picked out some pretty cool chords to work within this tune. John likes to use extended chords with some unusual fingerings, creating some pretty unique chord voicings. We have put a healthy dose of normal chord shapes alongside the more complicated ones to ease you into some of his trickier shapes! The chord shapes used can be found in the fretboard diagrams.

Materials: The Chord Chart

The chord chart for the song is as follows, repeating twice to complete the entire part. Remember that the Em, G and Am7 have the second finger-style pattern, whilst the Esus4/B and Fsus2 have the first pattern.

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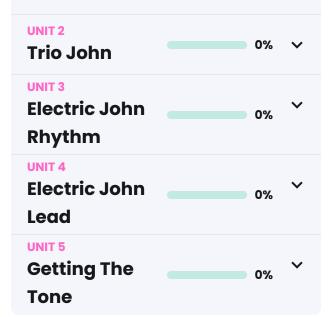
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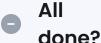
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John has a unique acoustic style where he uses a sort of 'claw hammer' technique to add percussion and extremely groovy elements to his songs. We will specifically be analysing how John achieves the effect from the live version of 'Neon'!

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