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Little Town of Bethlehem by John Mayer

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Intro & Tone

It blew my mind how perfectly this track went with a John Mayer-style groove. We've worked out two incredible parts that are dripping in style & groove (if I do say so myself). The aim here was to create a pop-soul kind of groove where we can have a cool chord part littered with fills, and a simple lead part that requires a bit of restraint and good feel to play. So, let's start with the tone.



The base of our tone is using a Fender 65 Deluxe Reverb style preset in TONEX by IK Multimedia. This had that John Mayer tone straight away. It's clean, it's crystal clear, but it feels like it has a lot of

headroom, creating that thundering low-end sound that sits menacingly behind the clean tones. We also added in some reverb and compression, like this:



MEXICAN ROADWORN STRAT

As you'd expect, we used a Strat to record this part. This is more based on John Mayer's Continuum era playing, which was before the signature PRS model. We also used an **Ibanez Tube Screamer** pedal, on top of the amp settings above to get the lead.



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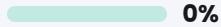
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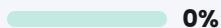
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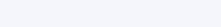
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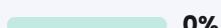
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