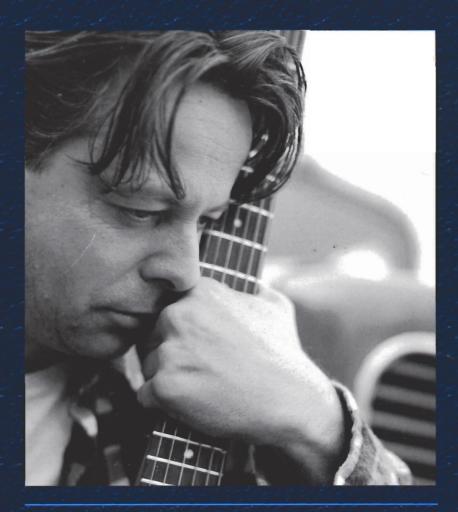
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#### **TOMMY EMMANUEL**

1993 is the year that Tommy Emmanuel arrives. Which is probably a strange thing to say about someone who's been playing for 33 years.

As a guitarist, he remains much in demand for sessions and as hired hand, and counts his own heroes like Chet Atkins and Eric Clapton as his fans. As a writer, multi-platinum albums like Dare To Be Different and Determination have proven themselves on the charts. Dare To Be Different actually hit \_ 1 on the Australian charts twice. As a performer, his record success has taken him from playing pubs to playing auditoriums and achieving one of the biggest thrills of his career - performing a series of concerts with a symphony orchestra, a feat which was just a pipedream for him as recently as five years ago.

So why does 1993's new album, The Journey, signal his arrival?

The first thing he did was to do some picking with me.

Having signed to Sony, Tommy Emmanuel was given a perfect opportunity - the total artistic freedom to work with the people he wanted to and to take as long as he wanted. For the first time on record, he's managed to capture the power of his concerts. The lovely textures and sublime playing on *The Journey* are testament to that.

Among those who played on the disc, or helped him write songs, were Chet Atkins, Joe Walsh, Virgil Donati, saxplayer Dave Koz, Carlos Vega, Peter Bowman, David Hirschfelder, Jerry Goodman (violinist with The Mahavishnu Orchestra and now with The Dixie

Dregs), Doane Perry of Jethro Tull and Kevin Savigar of Rod Stewart fame. The Journey was produced by American guitarists Rick Neigher, who virtually became Tommy's cosmic twin during the recording session.

There are many highs on the album. When put up against the wall and forced to choose five tracks Tommy picks "Hellos and Goodbyes" for his performance on it, "The Journey" because two different songs fell together like a jigsaw puzzle, "If Your Heart Tells You To" because it's one of the prettiest melodies he's ever written, "Amy" because it's been hanging around since 1976 and

the recording on the album evoked the very spirit he'd been trying to find since then, and "Tailin' The Invisible Man" on which he lets fly with this Telecaster and on which Tommy and Rick went to an extraordinary amount of trouble to get a crackling sound like an old 78 record. "We couldn't get 78 so we got a 33-and-a-third long player, threw it on the concrete floor, jumped all over it, and spun it quickly on the turntable to make it sound like a 78!".

But possibly the track that he holds dearest is "Villa Anita" which features his idol Chet Atkins. It was a hero worship that went

It directly lead to me picking up the guitar".

"When I was in my mid-teens, I sent him a fan letter and he wrote me back. I've still got the letter. In the early 80's I went to Nashville with the sole desire of meeting him. After three days of ringing around, I got through to him and he told me to come over.

back to when Tommy was seven years old. "I heard a track of his on the radio and did a total backflip. That lovely finger picking.

Since then, he's inspired me in alot of different ways. His humility, his love for playing, his regard for his fellow man. When we were recording *The Journey* in L.A., I read he was playing a club date and told Rick we should go and check out his gig. "Check out his show, hell!" Rick replied. "We're gonna get him on the album!" Chet was more than happy, so I flew to Nashville, recorded his track and the next day went back to LA.

The important thing about *The Journey* is that it stresses Tommy's ability as a writer, not as a guitarist extraordinaire.

"I don't want to be the fastest guitar in the West, riding off into the sunset. I try to come up with songs and performances that I hope will stand the test of time".

As his career's blossomed, Tommy's learned to focus. After his last tour, he locked the 'musician' away and slotted into a 'writer' mode. Over a three-week period, he'd be writing and various collaborators for five days a week. By the time sessions started in America, he had 26 songs in hand.

1993 is going to be a year of consolidation. As well as touring through Australia, more trips to the United States and Asia are being planned.

In July, he released his first instructional video, *Guitar Talk*, which has been acclaimed for the simple way he explains every facet of playing and expression.

"Encouraging young talent is very important to me. When I was growing up, the guys I looked up to said 'we're not gonna show you, figure it out yourself". It was a 'cruel to be kind' approach. But it's not mine. Just the right word of encouragement at the right time has helped a young player get on his or her way.

"To me, music is something that is beautiful and positive. If I can encourage others to fill the world up with music, then I'm justifying my existence. People who listen to my music see me as part of their own families or they give me presents which I can use for my crafts. If I can pass the torch on to others, then I'm happy".

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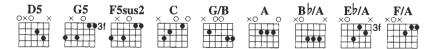
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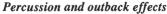
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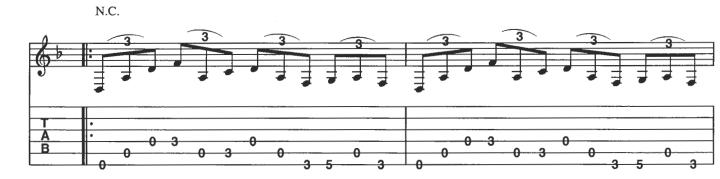


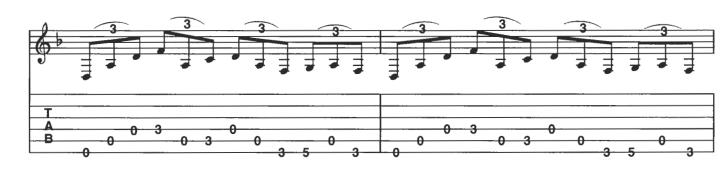
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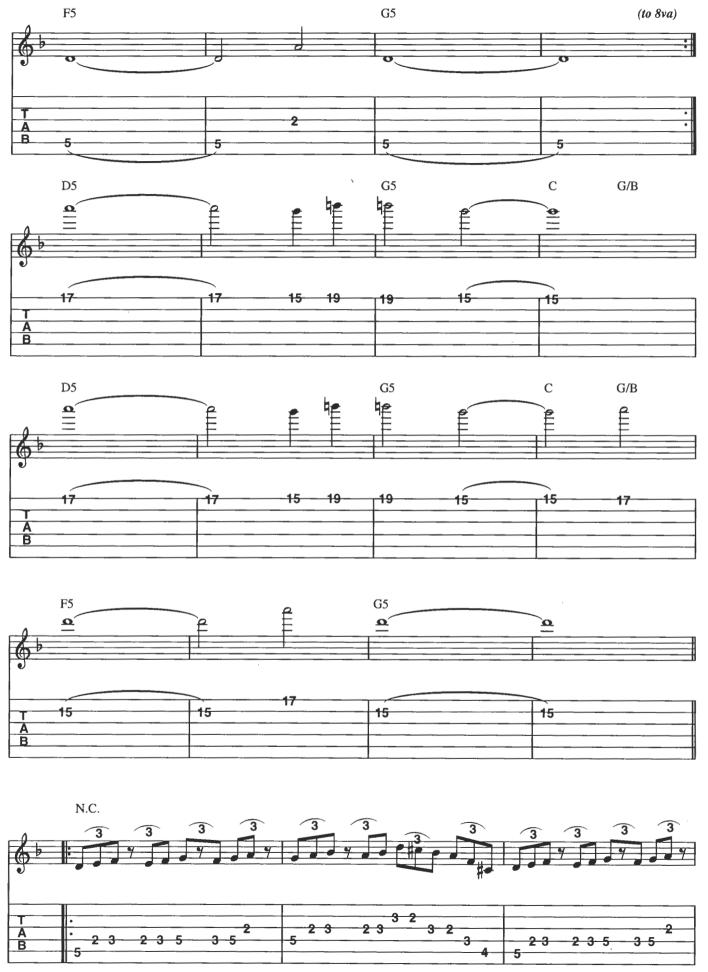
















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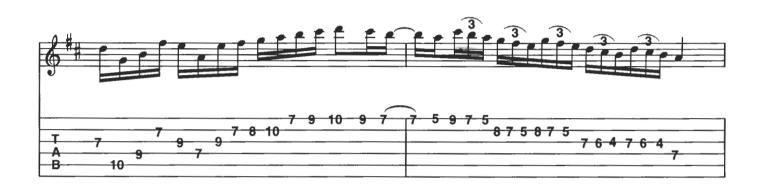
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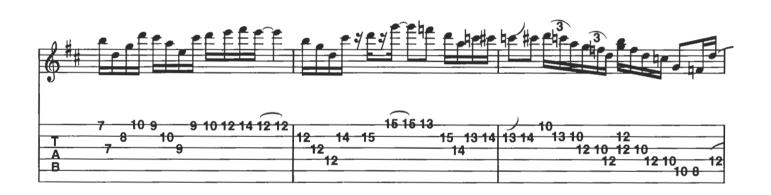
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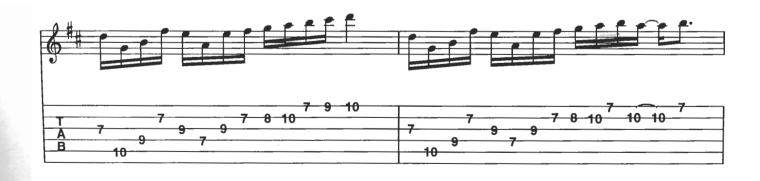














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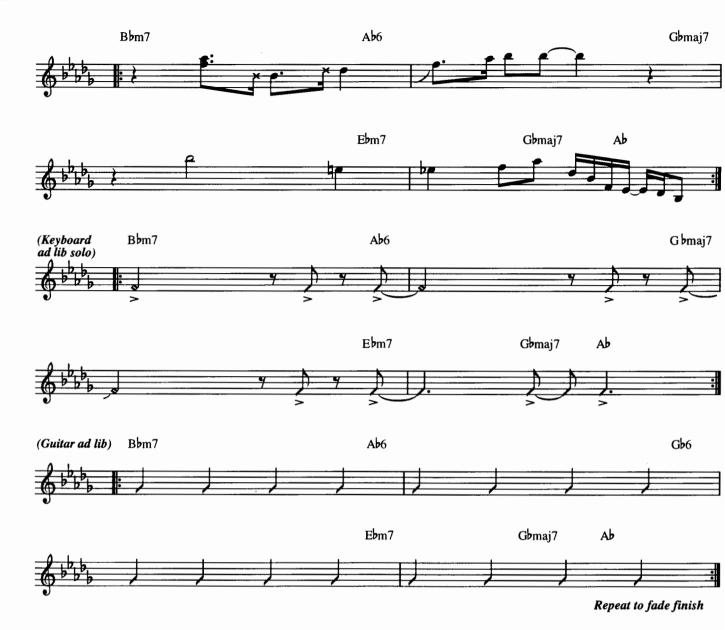


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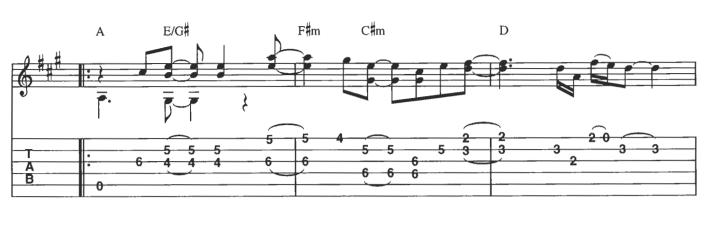


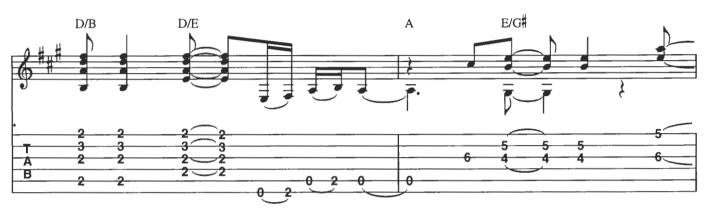
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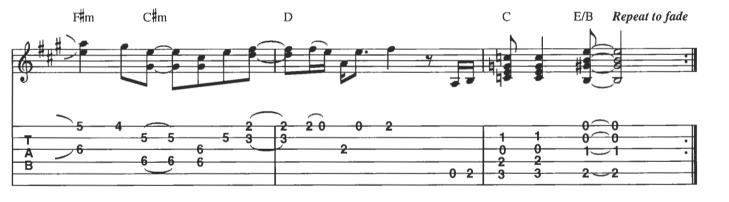
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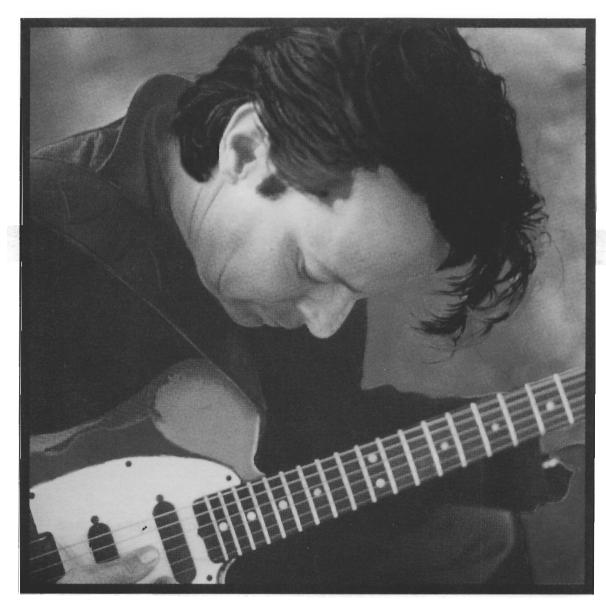












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