

Artist: Red Hot Chili Peppers
Song: Brendan's Death Song
Album: I'm With You (August 2011)
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Tuning: Standard

. = Palm-Muted
~ = hold note
^ = vibrate
p = pull off
h = hammer on
/ = slide up
\ = slide down

I produce a lot of music, check it out <https://soundcloud.com/long-naps-music>
(Acoustic, Orchestral, Electronic and more)

This song is amazing. Been playing it quite a bit.
The song has been tabbed by me BY EAR. This is no book and no machine,
just me!
The pattern's pretty accurate I think. PLEASE leave feedback, I'll use
every correction I get!
Josh might play this with bar-chords but I don't. So get over it.
Anyways, enjoy and go buy the album!

UPDATE 31/08/2011
Grrrr... listed under ?tab?, should've been chords, dunno what happened.
Doesn't matter. Changed some chords.

UPDATE 04/09/2011
Added a version 2 for the verse and changed the ?let me live...? lyrics part a little.
Thanks for all the corrections, keep 'em coming!

Chords:

[ch]D[/ch]	[ch]C[/ch]	[ch]Am[/ch]	[ch]G[/ch]	[ch]Cmaj7[/ch]	[ch]Em[/ch]
E--2---0---0?-(3)-----0-----					
B--3---1---1---0---0---0-----					
G--2---0---2---0---0---0-----					
D--0---2---2---0---2---2-----					
A-----3---0?-x/5--3--2-----					
E-----3-----0-----					

THE Riff:

Version 1 thanks to tayloaw0 for the addition. Check out his tab (detail picking)

[ch]D[/ch]	[ch]C[/ch]	[ch]Am[/ch]	[ch]Em[/ch]	[ch]G[/ch]
E--0h2p0-----				
B-----1-(1h)3--1---0h1-0--1--0~-----0~-----				
G--2~-----0---0~-----0--2~-----2-0-----0~---*strumm or pick G*-				
D--0~-----0~-----0~-----0~-----				
A-----3~-----0~-----0~-----0~-----				
E-----0~-----3~-----				

Version 2 original one

[ch]D[/ch]	[ch]C[/ch]	[ch]Am[/ch]	[ch]Em[/ch]	[ch]G[/ch]
E--0h2p0-----				
B-----3---1-(1h)3--1---0h1-0--1--0~-----0~-----				
G--2~-----0---0~-----0--2~-----2-0-2-----0~---*strumm or pick G*-				
D--0~-----0~-----0~-----0~-----				
A-----3~-----0~-----0~-----0~-----				
E-----0~-----3~-----				

[Chorus]

G	Cmaj7	Em	(someone tell me if that's really Cmaj7!)
E-----0~-----			
B--0~-----0~-----			
G--0~-----0~-----			
D--0~-----2~-----			
A?-x/5-----3~-----			
E--3~-----0~-----			

[Verse]

[ch]D[/ch]	[ch]C[/ch]	[ch]Am[/ch]	[ch]Em[/ch]	[ch]G[/ch]
Live or die before I get it done will you decide?				
[ch]D[/ch]	[ch]C[/ch]	[ch]Am[/ch]	[ch]Em[/ch]	[ch]G[/ch]
Take my words and turn them into signs they will survive				
[ch]D[/ch]	[ch]C[/ch]	[ch]Am[/ch]	[ch]Em[/ch]	[ch]G[/ch]
because a long time ago I knew not to deprive				
[ch]D[/ch]	[ch]C[/ch]	[ch]Am[/ch]	[ch]Em[/ch]	[ch]G[/ch]
It's safe out there now your everywhere just like the sky				
[ch]D[/ch]	[ch]C[/ch]	[ch]Am[/ch]	[ch]Em[/ch]	[ch]G[/ch]

And you I love, you are the lucid dream you are the ride
[ch]D[/ch] [ch]C[/ch] [ch]Am[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch] [ch]G[/ch]
And when you hear this you know it's your jam it's your goodbye

[Chorus]
[ch]G[/ch] [ch]Cmaj7[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch]
Like I said you know I'm almost dead, you know I'm almost gone
[ch]G[/ch] [ch]Cmaj7[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch]
and when the drummer drums it's gonna play my song to carry me along
[ch]G[/ch] [ch]Cmaj7[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch]
Like I said you know I'm almost dead, you know I'm almost gone
[ch]G[/ch] [ch]Cmaj7[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch]
and when the boatman comes to ferry me away to where we all belong

[Verse]
[ch]D[/ch] [ch]C[/ch] [ch]Am[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch] [ch]G[/ch]
We all cross when we were feeling lost it's just the time
[ch]D[/ch] [ch]C[/ch] [ch]Am[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch] [ch]G[/ch]
Could terry cry the day her lover died she recognized
[ch]D[/ch] [ch]C[/ch] [ch]Am[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch] [ch]G[/ch]
Because you gave her a life of real love it's no surprise
[ch]D[/ch] [ch]C[/ch] [ch]Am[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch] [ch]G[/ch]
The nights are long but the years are short when your alive
[ch]D[/ch] [ch]C[/ch] [ch]Am[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch] [ch]G[/ch]
Way back when we'll never be again it was a time,
[ch]D[/ch] [ch]C[/ch] [ch]Am[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch] [ch]G[/ch]
It's gonna get you; so glad I met you to walk the line

[Chorus]
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Fill on Em (please feel free to post something for that in the comments!)

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(Lyric suggestions for next lines please)

[Verse]
[ch]G[/ch] [ch]Cmaj7[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch]
Let me live so when it's time to die even the reaper cries
[ch]G[/ch] [ch]Cmaj7[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch]
Let me die so when it's time to live another sun will rise

[ch]G[/ch] [ch]Cmaj7[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch]
I said Yeah YeahYeah YeahYeah
[ch]G[/ch] [ch]Cmaj7[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch]
I said Yeah YeahYeah YeahYeah (cont. a while, fading)

[Chorus]
[ch]G[/ch] [ch]Cmaj7[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch]
Like I said you know I'm almost dead, you know I'm almost gone
[ch]G[/ch] [ch]Cmaj7[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch]
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[ch]G[/ch] [ch]Cmaj7[/ch] [ch]Em[/ch]
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Again people, this is not a tab, don't expect any Solo, Electric Riffs or such!

and that's pretty much it! I hope you enjoyed, please leave a rating, comment and
CORRECTIONS! Fucked up lyrics? put em in the comments!

Cheers...

LAST 3 COMMENTS

tayloaw0: Hey man, looks good! I tabbed it out by ear too and was playing a harder version up in a higher register. I like your open chord version. My suggestions in the main riff:

In the D chord bit, instead of picking the 3rd fret on the B string, I'm pretty sure he's playing an open G, and then going right into the C chord. On the Em chord bit instead of 2 0 2 on the G string I'm hearing 2 0 and then the open A string.

And yeah, that second chord in the chorus is hard to really hear. I've been playing a C/G (C chord but play the G on the low E string).

tayloaw0: Actually your version of the Em riff part is right for the "b" ending. My correction applies to the first ending (he plays two variations of the riff).

necriononguitar: thanks bro
my version is actually just a "lazy" version... or as i like to call it: acoustic.
im going to put up a version 2 for the verse so noone gets confused :)
ill put your name and tab on version 2, if thats fine with you.
to be honest, i saw your tab in the queue and spontaneously thought: damn im lazy :)

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