

## Volcano – Jimmy Buffett

Tempo: 92 bpm

Strumming Pattern: Ok, so here it goes....

The overall theme of the strumming is: D, DU, UD, D, UU and then the same pattern again but at the END of this pattern instead play DD. In other words, here is the full pattern:

D, DU, UD, D, UU **XX** | D, DU, UD, D, DD **XX**

**The x's indicate full mutes – so no chord is played. You can strum the X's in any combination. I recommend DU.**

This pattern will work for mostly the entire song. There might be a few spots that trip you up a little but with a little practice you'll slide through it. Notably the "I don't know where I'ma gonna go when the volcano blow(s)." This is tricky – but the pattern WILL work.

Optional Intro Riff:

I found it too confusing to play this riff and then move into the actual song, so I have only included it as an option. If you have another band mate (or just want to learn it) then it is included here:

The image shows four measures of musical notation for an optional intro riff. Each measure has a treble clef staff with notes and a bass staff with fingerings. Above the first staff, the notes are transcribed as: A F C F C A, A F C F C A#, A F C F A A# C D, and C A A# G F. The fingerings for the first four measures are: 5 6 6 5, 5 6 8 6, 5 6 5 6 10, and 8 5 6 3 1.

The notes are transcribed from a steel drum. These are NOT the chords – just the notes played in the song.

Chords Used:

The image shows three guitar chord diagrams. The first is an F major chord with notes F, C, F, A, C, F. The second is a C7 chord with notes E, C, E, Bb, C, E. The third is a Bb major chord with notes F, Bb, F, Bb, D, F. Each diagram includes a fretboard grid with fingerings (1, 2, 3, 4) and a capo symbol (X) above the first fret.

Intro (chorus theme) : F – C7 | F – Bb | F – C7 – F

Chorus:

F C7  
I don't know, I don't know...  
F Bb  
I don't know where I'm a gonna go  
F C7 F  
When the vol-cano blow

(F) Bb F  
Ground she's movin' under me  
Bb F  
Tidal waves out on the sea  
Bb F  
Sulphur smoke up in the sky  
Bb F  
Pretty soon we learn to fly

Chorus:

F C7  
I don't know, I don't know...  
F Bb  
I don't know where I'm a gonna go  
F C7 F  
When the vol-cano blow

(F) Bb F  
My girl quickly say to me  
Bb F  
Mon' you better watch your feet  
Bb F  
Lava come down soft and hot  
Bb F  
You better lava me now or lava me not

Chorus:

F C7  
I don't know, I don't know...  
F Bb  
I don't know where I'm a gonna go  
F C7 F  
When the vol-cano blow

(F)                      Bb        F

Bb F

Chorus:

F C7

F Bb

(F)  $Bb$   $F$

But I don't want to land in New York City

C7 F

Don't want to land in Mexi-co

Bb F

Don't want to land on no Three Mile Island

C7 F

Don't want to see my skin aglow

(F) Bb F  
Don't want to land in Comanche Sky park

C7 F

Or in Nashville, Tennessee

(F) Bb F  
Don't want to land in no San Juan airport

C7 F

Or the Yukon Territory

(F) Bb F

## Don't want to land in no San Diego

C7      F

## Don't want to land in no Buzzards Bay

(F)  $Bb$   $F$

Don't want to land on no Aye-Yatullah

C7 F

I got nothing more to say

Chorus:

F C7

I don't know, I don't know...

F                      Bb  
I don't know where I'm a gonna go

F C7 F  
When the vol-cano blow

F                      Bb  
I don't know where I'm a gonna go

F C7 F  
When the vol-cano blow