

Blue Christmas – Elvis Presley

Strumming Concept: Swing (D, DU, UDU)

The intro riff really plays in various places in the song, but it's not what Elvis was playing. Another guitarist was playing it. In order to stay with the feel of the song I recommend only playing the little riff when prompted. This keeps the song together. If you have another guitarist playing along with you, this can be added before, on, or after every E Major chord.

Intro (riff):

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e |-----|
B |-----|
G |-----|
D |----2-2--4-4-----|
A |-2-2-----|
E |-----|
    
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Riff*:

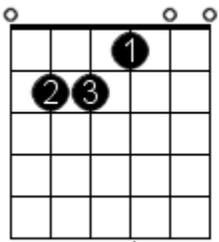
This part comes in at the very end, and all I really did was slide instead of strike every note. You can keep the same little riff, just slide the 2's on the D strings to the 4's on the D strings.

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e |-----|
B |-----|
G |-----|
D |----2-2~~~~4-4-----|
A |-2-2-----|
E |-----|
    
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Chords Used:

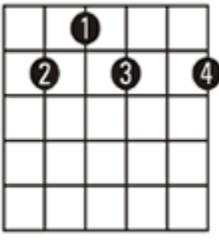
E



E B E A♭ B E

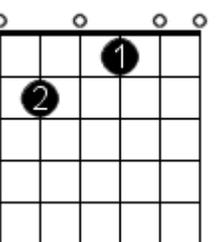
G♭ / F♯

B7



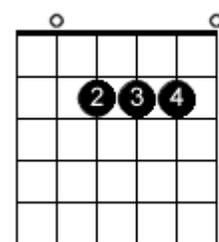
B D♯ A B F♯

E7

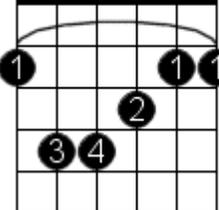


E B D A♭ B E

A



E A E A C♯ E



F♯ C♯ F♯ B♭ C♯ F♯

Note: Bbdim7 is just x12020 (fingerings are: x12030)

(riff) E B7
I'll have a blue Christmas without you
 (B7) E
I'll be so blue just thinking about you
 (E) E7 A
Decorations of red, on a green Christmas tree
F# B7
won't be the same dear, if you're not here with me.

(riff) E B7
And when those blue snowflakes start falling,
 (B7) E
that's when those blue memories start calling,
 (E) E7 A Bbdim7
you'll be doing alright, with your Christmas of white,
 B7 E
but I'll have a blue blue Christmas.

(riff) E B7
I'll have a blue Christmas without you
 (B7) E
I'll be so blue just thinking about you
 (E) E7 A Bbdim7
you'll be doing alright, with your Christmas of white,
 B7 E (riff*) E
but I'll have a blue blue Christmas.