

All I Want For Christmas Is You – Mariah Carey (style of Michael Buble)

Fingerstyle Concept: Swing

The swing version adds the 16th notes.

For example:



This is the G barre chord with a swing feel to it using 16th notes.



Once you reach the swing part you can follow this overall pattern for the whole song for the most part. Always keep in mind that an upcoming chord CAN negate the full pattern, so you won't necessarily play the full range of notes in the tablature. However, if you follow the tab and just change chords when the chord name prompts you to do so, you should stay in time just fine.

With this song we only focus on our thumb (T), 1st finger, and 2nd finger. The thumb should play the lower melody notes. The 1st finger should play the mid melody notes, and the 2nd finger should play the high melody notes. Three digits with six strings would mean that you can assign these digits much easier.

Be sure you have the "Swing Patterns" printed out. This file is organized in chord groups.

Also make sure you have printed out the "Chord Diagrams" as well to help you finger the chords.

Quick Note: I decided to let this song hang at the beginning, but you don't have to if you don't want. I like the buildup that comes from it. I placed an asterisk where I used a G barre chord instead of the open chord. Of course you can interchange this as you wish.

Intro (slow – no swing)

G* (G*)
I don't want a lot for Christmas, there's just one thing I need
C Cm
I don't care about the presents, underneath the Christmas tree.
G* (G*)
I don't need to hang my stocking, there upon the fireplace
C Cm
Santa Claus won't make me happy, with a toy on Christmas Day.
G* B7
I just want you for my own...
Em Cm
more than you could ever know...
G* E7
Make my wish come true...
Am7 Am7/D G (begin swing) - Em - C - D
All I want for Christmas is you...
G* (G*)
I won't ask for much this Christmas, I won't even wish for snow
C Cm
I'm just gonna keep on waiting, underneath the mistletoe.
G* (G*)
I won't make a list and send it, to the North Pole for Saint Nick
C Cm
I won't even stay awake to, hear those magic reindeer click.
G* B7
'Cause I just want you here tonight...
Em Cm
Holding on to me so tight...
G* E7
What more can I do?
Am7 Am7/D G - Em - C - D
Baby all I want for Christmas is you...
B7 Em
All the lights are shining, so brightly everywhere.
B7 Em
And the sound of children's, laughter fills the air.
Cm G* E7
And everyone is singing, I hear those sleigh bells ringing...
Am7
Santa won't you bring me the one I really need...
Am7/D (stop!)
Won't you please bring my baby to me...
G* (G*)
Oh I don't want a lot for Christmas, this is all I'm asking for
C Cm
I just want to see my baby, standing right outside my door.
G* B7
Oh I just want you for my own...
Em Cm
more than you could ever know...
G* E7
Make my wish come true...
Am7 Am7/D G - Em
Baby all I want for Christmas is you...
Am7 Am7/D G - Em
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