

Close Action  
Big Country

Album - The Crossing

From: \*

From the bands 1983 debut album, what follows is lead guitarist Stuart Adamson s guitar part which is pretty much the feel and sound of the whole song. I ve included the E-bowed guitar riff that accompanies the bridge section - it was omitted from live performances of the \* song is in A.

- h = hammer on
- p = pull off
- / = slide up
- = slide down
- t = tap (with strumming hand)

INTRO - [Riff 1] x 2

E	-----	-----
B	-----	-----
G	-----	-----
D	--7-----7-----4-----4-----4--	--2-----2-----4-----7--4-----
A	-----0-----0-----5--5-----5-----	-----0-----0-----5--5-----5-----
E	-----	-----

[PM.....]

E	-----	-----
B	-----	-----
G	-----	-----
D	--7-----7-----4-----4-----4--	--2-----2-----4--4--4--4--4--4--
A	-----0-----0-----5--5-----5-----	-----0-----0--5--5--5--5--5--5--
E	-----	-----

VERSE 1 - [Riff 2] x 2

E	-----	-----
B	-----	-----
G	-7--9-9-9-9-9-9-9-9-7-7-7-	-7--9-9-9-9-9-9-9-9-9-9-9-
D	-7--7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-	-7--7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-
A	-----	-----
E	-----	-----

A score of years.....this line has run..

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E |-----|-----|
B |-----|-----|
G |-6--6-6-6-6-6-6-6-4-6-6-|-6--6-6-6-6-6-6-6-6-6-6-6-|
D |-7--7-7-7-7-7-7-7-6-7-7-|-7--7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-|
A |-----|-----|
E |-----|-----|

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Above the crests.... that drown the sun..

CHORUS - [Riff 3] x 2\*

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      A5          D5          F#5          E5
E |-----|-----|-----|-----|
B |-----|-----|-----|-----|
G |--9--9--9-----2--2--2--|--6--6--6-----4--4--4--|
D |--7--7--7-----0--0--0--|--4--4--4-----2--2--2--|
A |-----|-----|-----|-----|
E |-----|-----|-----|-----|

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I will carry you home With the gods in my eyes

\*Followed by these 2 bars

[let ring]

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E |-----|-----|
B |-----|-----|
G |--9-----|-(9)-----|
D |--7-----|-(7)-----|
A |-----|-----|
E |-----|-----|

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FIRST SOLO - [Riff 4]

[PM.....]

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E |-12-----12-----|-----10---9-10-----10---9-10-----|
B |----12-10----12-10--12-9--12-9--|-----10-----10-7-----10-----10-7-|
G |-----9-----9--|-----|
D |-----|-----|
A |-----|-----|
E |-----|-----|

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E |-----|-----12-----12-----14-141414-17-21-|
B |/12-10-9-10-9h10p9-----10-12|----12-10----12-10-----|
G |-----11-9--9h11-----|-----|
D |-----|-----|
A |-----|-----|
E |-----|-----|

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E |-12-----12-----14-141414-12----|12-----12-----17-171717-14-10-|
B |----12-10----12-10-----14-|----12-10----12-10-----|
G |-----|-----|
D |-----|-----|
A |-----|-----|
E |-----|-----|

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[PM.....]

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E | --10----9-10-----10----9-10----- | ----- |
B | -----10-----10-7-----10-----10-7- | -/12-10-9-10-9h10p9----- |
G | ----- | -----11-9----- |
D | ----- | -----14----- |
A | ----- | ----- |
E | ----- | ----- |

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BRIDGE - [Riff 1] x 2 + [E-bow Riff 5 - below] x 2

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E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
B | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
G | --14----117---- | --6-h-7p6--2---- | -/14--h18h18--11-- | -p9-h-11/14----- |
D | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
A | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |

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VERSE 2 - [Riff 2] x 2

CHORUS - [Riff 3] x 2

2ND SOLO - [Riff 6] x 2\*

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E | ----- | ----- |
B | ----- | ----- |
G | -----6--9--11-111111-14-141414-119- | -----6--9--11-111111-11/1411--9---- |
D | --7----- | --7----- |
A | ----- | ----- |
E | ----- | ----- |

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E | ----- | ----- |
B | ----- | ----- |
G | -----6--9--11-111111-14-141414-119- | --9-9--6----- |
D | --7----- | -----7---4---4---t16p4----- |
A | ----- | ----- |
E | ----- | ----- |

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E | ----- |
B | ----- |
G | -----4--6-----7--6--4----- |
D | --4--7----- |
A | ----- |
E | ----- |

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\*Replace bar 5 of Riff 6 with this bar on the 2nd time of playing

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E | ----- |
B | ----- |
G | -----4--6-----7--6----- |
D | --4--7-----9-9-9-9-9-9-- |
A | -----7-7-7-7-7-7-- |
E | ----- |

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VERSE 3 - [Riff 2] x 2

CHORUS - [Riff 3] x 4

OUTRO - x4

E |-----|  
B |-----|  
G |-----|  
D |--7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-|  
A |--0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-|  
E |-----|  
I will carry you home....