

Elaborate Lives
Broadway

There s a bit of picking at the beginning and the end. It s not difficult at all, and you shouldn t have any trouble with it. This is the first version of the song as opposed to Aida s reprise at the conclusion of the show.

Tuning: Standard EADGBE
Key: **G**

The Broadway version is actually in the key of Gb, but to put off some work, I figured whoever want these chords would like to have the option of having the original key or a half-step higher.

Chords:

G= 320033

Cadd9= x32033

C= x32010

Em= 022000

D= xx0232

B= 799877

A7= x02020

C*= x22010

Dsus4= xx0233

E= 022100

Intro:

e | --10---8---8---7---7---5---5---3---7-----
B | -----
G | -----
D | -----
A | -----
E | -----

e | --10---8---8---7---7---5---5---3---7-----5-----
B | -----
G | -----
D | -----
A | -----
E | -----

Verse 1:

G Cadd9 G

We all lead

C C* C

Such elaborate lives

D Dsus4 D

Wild ambition

G Cadd9

In our sights

G B

How an affair

Of the heart

Em

Survives

C

Days apart

D

And hurried nights

Seems quite

B

unbelievable to me

Em

I don't want to live like that

B

Seems quite unbelievable to me

C

I don't wanna love like that

D

E

I just want our time to be

A7

Slower and gentler

D

Wiser

C

Free

Verse 2:

G Cadd9 G

G Cadd9 G

We all live

C C* C

in extravagant times

D

Playing games

G Cadd9 G

we can't all win

G B

Unintended

Em

emotional crimes

C

take some out

D

take others in

B

I'm so tired of all we're going through

Em

I don't want to live like that

B

I'm so tired of all we're going through

C

I don't wanna love like that

D

E

I just wanna be with you

A7

Now and forever

D

Peaceful

C

True

Bridge:

C

This may not be the moment

G

to tell you face to face

A7

But I could wait forever

D

for the perfect time and place

C G Cadd9 G

We all lead

C C* C

such elaborate lives

D Dsus4 D

We don't know

G Cadd9 G

whose words are true

G

Strangers lovers

B Em

husbands wives

C

Hard to know

D

who's loving who

B

Too many choices tear us apart

Em

I don't want to live like that

B

Too many choices tear us apart

C

I don't wanna love like that

D E

I just wanna touch your heart

A7

May this confession

D

be the

(begin picking)

start

Outro:

e | --10--8--8--7--7--5--5--3--7-----
B | -----
G | -----
D | -----
A | -----
E | -----

e | --10--8--8--7--7--5--5--3--7-----5-----
B | -----
G | -----
D | -----
A | -----
E | -----

G

Thank you!