

I Want You
Elvis Costello

Song: I want you
Artist: Elvis Costello & The Attractions
Composer: Declan MacManus
Album: Blood and chocolate

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A	= x02220	F#m	= 244222
E7	= 020100	Em *	= x79987
E	= 022100	Em	= 022000
D	= xx0232	C	= x35553 or 8-10-10-9-8-8
D/A	= x00232	B	= x24442 or 799877
G	= 355433	Ebm	= x68876
(C6)	= x32210	B7	= x21202 or 224242
		Baug	= x21003 or xx5443

^ = Emphasise the beats ~ = add vibrato

If you want to add a bit more interest to the main progression,
you could add the passing bass notes:

	Em	Em/F#	G	G/B	C	B	B/F#
e	-----0-----	-----3-----	-----3-----	-----2-----			
B	-----0-----	-----3-----	-----5-----	-----4-----			
G	-----0-----	-----0-----	-----5-----	-----4-----			
D	-----2-----	-----0-----	-----5-----	-----4-----			
A	-----2-----	-----2---2--	--3-----3--2-----				
E	--0-----2---3-----	-----2-----					

This riff is simplified just for additional guitar accompaniment,
the actual bass develops into a walking bass line from the 3rd
verse onwards.

The C6 in brackets are optional and are added by the keyboards,
as are the Cadd9 near the end too.

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[Intro]

A	E7	A	E
Oh, my baby, baby, I love you more than I can tell,			
A	A7	D	D/A
I don t think I can live with - out you,			
A	E	A	E7
And I know that I never will,			

A E7 A E
 Oh, my baby, baby, I want you so, it scares me ...to death,
A A7 D D/A
 I can t say any - more than I love you! ,
A G F#m Em *
 Everything else is a waste of breath!

[Verse 1]

Em G C B Em
 I want you! You had your fun, you don t get well no more,
G C B Ebm
 I want you! Your fingernails go dragging down the wall,
B C B
 Be careful, darling, you might fall!

[Verse 2]

Em G C B Em
 I want you! I woke up, and one of us was crying,
G C B Em
 I want you! You said, Young man, I do believe you re dying!
G C B
 I want you! If you need a second o - pinion,
Em
 As you seem to do, these days,
G C B
 I want you! You can look in my eyes,
Ebm B C C B
 And you can count the ways! | /_ /_ /_ /_ |
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[Verse 3]

Em G C (C6) B B7 Em
 I want you! Did you mean to tell me, but seem to for - get?
G C (C6) B B7 Em
 I want you! Since when were you so generous, and inar - ticulate?
G C (C6) B B7 Em G
 I want you, but it s the stupid details that my heart is breaking for,
C (C6) B B7 Em
 It s the way your shoulders shake, and what they re shaking for,
G C (C6) B B7 Em
 I want you! It s knowing that he knows you now, after only guessing,
G C B
 It s the thought of him un - dressing you,
Ebm B C C B
 Or... you undressing! | /_ /_ /_ /_ |
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[Verse 4]

Em G C (C6) B B7 Em
 I want you! He tossed some tatty compli - ment your way,
G C (C6) B B7
 I want you, and you were fool e - nough to love it...
C Ebm Em G C B

...When he said, ... I---- want you!

[Break]

e	-----	-----	[x2]
B	-----	-----	
G	---~9---~9---~9---	---~9---~9---	
D	~8---~8---~8---	~8---~8---	
A	-----	-----	
E	-----	-----	

[Verse 5]

Em	G	C	B	Em
I want you! The truth can t hurt you, it s just like the dark,				
G	C	B	Em	
It scares you witless, but, in time, you see things clear and stark,				
G	C	B	Em	
I want you! Go on, and hurt me, then we ll let it drop,				
G	C	B	Em	
I want you! I m afraid I won t know where to stop,				
G	C	B	Em	
I want you! I m not ashamed to say, I cried for you!				

[Verse 6]

G	C	B	Em	
I want you! I want to know the things you did, that we did too,				
G	C	B	Em	
I want you! I want to hear he pleases you more than I do,				
G	C	(C6)	B	B7 Em
I want you! I might as well be useless for all it means to you,				
G	C	(C6)	B	B7 Em
I want you! Did you call his name out as he held you down?				
G	C	(C6)	B	B7 Em
I want you! Oh, no, my darling, ...not with that clown,				
G	Cadd9	C	B	B7
I----- want you!				

[Verse 7]

Em	G	C	B	Em	
I want you! You ve had your fun, you don t get well no more,					
G	C	B	Ebm		
I want you! No one who wants you, ...could want you more!					
Em	G	C	B	Em	G
I want you!					
Em	G	C	B	Em	
I want you! Every night, when I go off to bed,					
G	C	B7			
And when I wake up, ...I want you!					
Em	G	C	B	B7	Em G
I m gonna say it once a - gain, til I instill it-----,					
C	B	B7	Em	G	
I m going ...going to feel this way un - til you... kill it,					
C	B	B7	Em	G	Cadd9 C B B7 Em G

I want you!

Cadd9 C B B7 Em G
I-----want you!

I----- ...want you-----!

Cadd9 C Baug B7 Em