

**Burning Ambition**  
**Iron Maiden**

Written by Steve Harris.  
Performed by IRON MAIDEN.  
It's the b-side on the single RUNNING FREE,  
released 80-02-08.

Transcribed by Oskar "The Seventh Son" Wigren.

Opening-riff:

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E-----2---2--|-----3---3--|
B--3---3-3-3--|--1---1-1-1--|
G--2---2-2-2--|--0---0-0-0--|
D--0-----0----|--2---2-2-2--|
A-----|-----3-----|
E-----|-----|
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E-----3---3--|-----2---2--|
B-----3---3--|--3---3-3-3--|
G--0---0-0-0--|--2---2-2-2--|
D--0---0-0-0--|--0-----0----|
A--2-----2----|-----|
E--3-----3----|-----|
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End of opening riff.

Riff 2:

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E-----12---10-9-----|-----10---8-7----|
B-----10-----10--|-----8-----8--|
G----11-----|-----9-----|
D--12-----|--10-----|
A-----|-----|
E-----|-----|
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E-----7-----|
B--7-8-10-----10-8-7--7-(8)----|
G-----7--|
D-----|
A-----|
E-----|
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Verse:

So you think you can own me, well you'd...

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

..better just think again

E-----|-----|  
B-----|-----|  
G--5--5-----|-----|  
D--5--5-----|-----3-4--|  
A--3--3-----|-----3-4-5-----|  
E-----|--3-4-5-----|

You^òd better watch you steps now, woman, cause I ...

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

..ain^òt like those other men

E-----|-----|  
B-----|-----|  
G--5--5-----|--7-7-7---5-----|  
D--5--5-----|--5-5-5---3--5--|  
A--3--3-----|-----3--|  
E-----|-----|

End of verse

Solo-riff:

E-----|-----|  
B-----|-----|  
G-----|-----|  
D--7-7-7-7-7-7-7--|--5-5-5-5-5-5-5--|  
A--5-5-5-5-5-5-5--|--3-3-3-3-2-2-2-2--|  
E-----|-----|

Riff 3:

E-----|  
B--10p12p10---10-----|  
G-----12-11-----9--|  
D-----11-12-----|  
A-----|  
E-----|

E-----|  
B-----10-12---12-10-----|  
G--11-12-----12--11-(12)--9b11--|  
D-----|  
A-----|  
E-----|

End of riff 3.

Bridge before last verse:

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E-----|
B-----|
G--7-----2-----5-----7-7-7---5-----|
D--7----- FILSTORLEK
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NYCKELORD SENSPARATAV^HANTALTKN^HANTALSID^HANTALORD UTSKRIFTSDAT^FPRIVAT^BRD^GVE  
RSION^HSPARADAT^DÄMNE^DINHO^GDOKMALLL^ETITEL^BXO^DALFA^DARAB^HINITVERS  
GRUNDTEXT  
TECKENFORM  
VALUTATEXT FÖRSTVERS^CHEX^EGEMEN  
KOPPLAFORM^FORDTAL^GORDTEXT^EROMAN^FVERSAL^CABS^GAVRUNDA^CDEF^FHELTAL^COCH^FFALS  
KT^CMAX^CMIN^DREST^EMEDEL^EANTAL^DICKE^EELLER^GPRODUKT^BOM^FTECKEN^ESUMMA^DSANT+  
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A-----|-----3---3---|
E-----|-----|
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A--2-----2---|-----|
E--3-----3---|-----|
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A-----|-----|
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A-----|
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E-----	-----
B-----	-----
G--7--7-----	--2--2-----
D--7--7-----	--2--2-----
A--5--5-----	--0--0-----
E-----	-----

..better just think again

E-----	-----
B-----	-----
G--5--5-----	-----
D--5--5-----	-----3-4--
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E-----	--3-4-5-----

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

..ain^òt like those other men

E-----	-----
B-----	-----
G--5--5-----	--7-7-7--5-----
D--5--5-----	--5-5-5--3--5--
A--3--3-----	-----3--
E-----	-----

End of verse

Solo-riff:

E-----	-----
B-----	-----
G-----	-----
D--7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7--	--5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5--
A--5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5--	--3-3-3-3-2-2-2-2--
E-----	-----

Riff 3:

E-----	
B--10p12p10---10-----	
G-----12-11-----9--	
D-----11-12-----	
A-----	
E-----	

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E-----|
B-----10-12---12-10-----|
G--11-12-----12--11-(12)--9b11--|
D-----|
A-----|
E-----|

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End of riff 3.

Bridge before last verse:

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E-----|
B-----|
G--7-----2-----5-----7-7-7---5-----|
D--7-----2-----5-----5-5-5---3--5---|
A--5-----0-----3-----3---|
E-----|

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Song-structure:

Opening-riff (2 times)  
Riff 2 (2 times)  
Verse (2 times)  
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Verse (2 times)  
Drum-bridge  
Solo-riff (4 times)  
Riff 3 (2 times)  
Bridge before last verse  
Verse (2 times)  
Opening riff  
Riff 2  
End

Lyrics:

So you think you can own me, well you^òd better just think again  
You^òd better watch you steps now, woman, cause I ain^òt like those other men  
There^òs something burning inside me that makes me want to be free  
And when I get these feelings honey, you better keep away from me

There^òs things in life now, baby, that I know I^òve got to do  
And I need your love now, baby, to help me see it through  
So you think you can own me, well you^òd better just think again  
You^òd better watch your steps now, woman, cause I ain^òt like those other men

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And when I get these feelings honey, you better keep away from me

OSKAR WIGREN 1996-12-23

BURNING AMBITION is one of my favourite Iron Maiden-songs.

It doesn't really sound like the typical maiden-sound.  
It's only 2.41 minutes long and it hasn't got a chorus  
and that's very unusual for IRON MAIDEN-songs.

^F  
A--5-----0-----3-----3--|  
E-----|

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Riff 2 (2 times)  
Verse (2 times)  
Drum-bridge  
Solo-riff (4 times)  
Riff 3 (2 times)  
Bridge before last verse  
Verse (2 times)  
Opening riff  
Riff 2  
End

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And when I get these feelings honey, you better keep away from me

There's things in life now, baby, that I know I've got to do  
And I need your love now, baby, to help me see it through  
So you think you can own me, well you'd better just think again  
You'd better watch your steps now, woman, cause I ain't like those other men

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