

Moonlight Sonata
Ludwig van Beethoven

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Tabulated from the (much easier to play) piano score by David Atkinson  
in October 1994.  
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I have included left hand fingering underneath the tab. I think the system I used is self-explanatory. The numbers 1 to 4 indicate the fingers (1=index,2=middle,3=ring,4=little(pinkie)). I have left out fingering where a section is repeated or on parts where fingering is blatantly obvious. If anyone needs an explanation, feel free to email me.

I transposed this to the key of A minor which seemed logical to me at the time but I have recently been informed that Tarrega used D minor. Tough! I experimented with the B string tuned to Bb but, although some parts were easier, most was better with normal tuning. Anyone have any other suggestions?

I might just try a D minor version if I find the time and motivation. Watch this space!

Please email comments, corrections, suggestions and the rest to David (\*).

p = pull-off, h = hammer-on, s = slide

==== = sustain. However, to save me hassle, sustain all the bass notes for a whole bar where possible.

The roman numerals above the tab indicate either full barres or half barres. The ...s indicate how long the barre lasts.



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G | - | ---0-----0-----0-----0--- | -----5-----5-----5-8---5h8 |
D | - | -2-----2-----2-----2----- | ---5-----5-----5-----5----- |
A | - | -3-----3-----3-----3----- | -6-----6-----6-----6----- |
E | - | -----3-----3-----3-----3----- | -8-----8-----8-----8----- |
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1 2 1 1 4 4
2 4 2
3
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 IV.....I.....

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E | - | -----3-----3-----3-----3----- | -----3-----3-----3-----3----- |
B | - | -4-----4-----4-----4----- | -4-----4-----4-----4----- | -1-3---1 |
G | - | -----6-----6-----6-----6----- | -----5-----5-----2-----2----- |
D | - | ---5-----5-----5-----5----- | ---6-----6-----1-----0----- |
A | - | -----6-----6-----6-----6----- | -6-----6-----6-----6----- |
E | - | -6-----6-----6-----6----- | -4-----3-----2-----2----- |
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1 2 4 1 3 1 3 1 4 2 1
3 3 1 2
1
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 III..... III.....

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E | - | -----3-----3-----3-----3----- | -----3-----3-----3-----3----- |
B | - | -3-----3-----4-----1----- | -3-----3-----3-----3----- |
G | - | ---3-----3-----0-2---0-2 | ---3-----3-----2-----2----- |
D | - | ---5-----5-----1-----1----- | ---5-----5-----4-----4----- |
A | - | -5-----5-----3-----3----- | -5-----5-----5-----5----- |
E | - | -3-----3-----3-----3----- | -3-----3-----3-----3----- |
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1 4 1 4 2 2 3 1 4 1 2 3 1
3 1 1 3 4
1 3
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 III.....IV....III..IV....II

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E | - | -----3-----3-----3-----3----- | s4-----4-----2-----2----- |
B | - | ---3-----3-----3-----3----- | ---4-----4-----4-----4----- |
G | - | ---3-----3-----4-----4----- | ---5-----5-----5-----5----- |
D | - | -5-----5-----5-----5----- | -5-----5-----5-----5----- |
A | - | -----3-----3-----3-----3----- | -----3-----3-----3-----3----- |
E | - | -3-----3-----3-----3----- | -3-----3-----3-----3----- |
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3 2 1 3 1 3 4 2 1 4 3
1 2 1 2
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 III.....IV....III..IV....II....

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E | - | -3-----3-----3-----3----- | s4-----4-----2-----2----- |
B | - | ---3-----3-----3-----3----- | ---4-----4-----4-----4----- |
G | - | -4-----4-----4-----4----- | ---5-----5-----5-----5----- |
D | - | -5-----5-----5-----5----- | -5-----5-----5-----5----- |
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A | - | -----3-----3----- |  
E | - | -3=====----- |

III..... III.....

|   |  |         |         |        |        |        |          |        |        |
|---|--|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|
|   |  |         |         |        |        |        |          |        |        |
| E |  | -3----- | -3----- | -----  | -3---  | 0----- | 0-1----- | -----  | -----  |
| B |  | -----   | 3-----  | 3----- | -----  | -----  | -----    | 3----- | 3----- |
| G |  | -----   | 4-----  | 4----- | 3-6--- | 3-6--- | -----    | 2----- | 2----- |
| D |  | -----   | 5-----  | 5----- | 5----- | 5----- | -----    | 5----- | 0----- |
| A |  | -----   | -----   | -----  | -----  | -----  | -----    | 4----- | -----  |
| E |  | -3----- | -----   | 0----- | -----  | -----  | -----    | -----  | -----  |

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| 1 1 4 | 2 1 4 | 1 2 4 3 |
| 3     | 3     |         |

III..... II.....

|   |  |         |        |        |        |        |       |        |        |
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|   |  |         |        |        |        |        |       |        |        |
| E |  | -----   | -----  | -----  | -----  | -----  | ----- | -----  | -----  |
| B |  | -4----- | -----  | 3----- | -----  | -----  | ----- | -----  | -----  |
| G |  | -----   | 3----- | 3----- | 4----- | 4----- | ----- | 2----- | 2----- |
| D |  | -----   | 5----- | 5----- | 3----- | 3----- | ----- | 7----- | 3----- |
| A |  | -----   | 6----- | 5----- | 5----- | 5----- | ----- | 5----- | 5----- |
| E |  | -3----- | -----  | 4----- | -----  | -----  | ----- | 5----- | 5----- |

|         |       |       |             |
|---------|-------|-------|-------------|
| 2 3 1 4 | 1 1 3 | 4 3 1 | 1 4 1 1 3 1 |
| 1       | 4     | 2     | 3 4         |
| 3       |       |       |             |

VII..... 1/2 V..... V....

|   |  |         |       |        |        |         |          |        |        |
|---|--|---------|-------|--------|--------|---------|----------|--------|--------|
|   |  |         |       |        |        |         |          |        |        |
| E |  | -----   | ----- | 5----- | 5----- | -5----- | 0-----   | 0----- | 5----- |
| B |  | -----   | ----- | 6----- | 6----- | -----   | 5-8----- | 8----- | 8----- |
| G |  | -----   | ----- | 7----- | 7----- | -----   | -----    | -----  | -----  |
| D |  | -----   | ----- | 7----- | 7----- | -----   | 7-----   | 7----- | 7----- |
| A |  | -----   | ----- | 8----- | 8----- | -----   | 0-----   | -----  | -----  |
| E |  | 10----- | ----- | -----  | -----  | -----   | -----    | -----  | -----  |

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| 4 2 1 2 1 1 3 4 2 1 4 25 | 1 4 3 4 | 1 1 41 |
| 3                        |         | 3      |

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|   |  |         |        |          |        |       |        |        |        |
| E |  | -5----- | -----  | 5-----   | -----  | -7--- | 0----- | 0----- | 0-7--- |
| B |  | -----   | 6----- | 6-9----- | -----  | ----- | -----  | -----  | -----  |
| G |  | -----   | 7----- | 7-----   | 7-9--- | 7---  | -----  | 7----- | 7----- |
| D |  | -----   | 7----- | 7-----   | 7----- | ----- | 6----- | 6----- | 6----- |
| A |  | -5----- | -----  | -----    | -----  | ----- | -----  | -----  | -----  |
| E |  | -----   | -----  | 7-----   | 5----- | ----- | 4----- | -----  | 4----- |

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| 1 4 2 | 4 1 3 1 4 2 | 4 3 2 3 |
| 3     | 1 3         | 2       |
| 1     | 1           | 1       |

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V..... IV.....

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|   |   |    |     |    |     |    |   |    |    |   |    |    |   |    |    |    |   |    |   |   |    |   |    |
| E | - | -8 | -   | -7 | -   | -5 | - | -4 | -  | - | -  | -  |   |    |    |    |   |    |   |   |    |   |    |
| B | - | -  | -10 | -  | -10 | -  | 0 | -  | -9 | - | -7 | -  | - | -5 | -  | -6 | - | 0  | - | - | 0  |   |    |
| G | - | -  | -9  | -  | -   | 9  | - | -  | -7 | - | -  | -5 | - | -  | -4 | -  | - | -4 | - | - | -7 | - |    |
| D | - | -  | 10  | -  | -   | 10 | - | -  | 0  | - | -  | -7 | - | -  | -6 | -  | - | -6 | - | - | -6 | - | -6 |
| A | - | -  | 0   | -  | -   | -  | - | -  | -  | - | -  | -6 | - | -  | -  | -  | - | -  | - | - | -  | - | -  |
| E | - | -  | -   | -  | -   | -  | - | -  | -  | - | -  | -  | - | -  | 0  | -  | - | -  | - | - | -  | - | -  |

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V.....

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| E | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5  | - | 8 | - | 5 | - | - |   |   |
| B | - | - | 0 | - | 0 | - | 0 | - | 0 | -  | 5 | - | 5 | - | 5 | - | 5 |   |
| G | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | -5 | - | 5 | - | 5 | - | 5 | - | 5 |
| D | - | - | 6 | - | 6 | - | 6 | - | 6 | -  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |   |
| A | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | -7 | - | 8 | - | 5 | - | - | - |   |
| E | - | - | 0 | - | - | - | - | - | - | -  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 |

2    3    4    1                  1                  4

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| E | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 4 |   |   |   |   |
| B | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | - | 3 | 0 | - | 3 |   |
| G | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - |   |
| D | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 0 | - | 3 | - | - |   |
| A | - | - | 3 | - | 3 | - | 3 | - | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |   |
| E | - | - | 0 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 |

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| E | - | - | - | 0 | - | s5 | - | 8 | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 |   |
| B | - | - | - | 1 | - | 1s | - | 5 | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 4 | 1 |
| G | - | - | - | 2 | - | 2  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| D | - | - | - | 2 | - | -  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| A | - | - | - | 3 | - | -  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| E | - | - | - | 0 | - | -  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

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| E | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | 7 | s4 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| B | - | - | - | 0 | - | 0 | - | 6 | - | 6 | - | - | -  | - | 3 | - | 0 | - | 3 | - | 0 | - |

G | - | ---1-----7-----7----- | -----1-----1----- |  
D | - | -0---3--s6----- | -----3---0-3-- |  
A | - | ----- | -----2 |  
E | - | -0===== | =====

1 3 3 4 3 4 1 3 4 4 3 1 3 1 3 1 3 2

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E | - | ----- | ----- |
B | - | ----- | ----- |
G | - | ----- | ----- |
D | - | -0-----0-3---0---0-3 | -----2-3-2-----0-3---0-3 |
A | - | -----2-----2---0--- | --5-----5-2-----0--- |
E | - | ---4---1-4----- | -4----- |

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E | - | ----- | ----- |  
B | - | ----- | ----- |  
G | - | ----- | -----2-----2 |  
D | - | -----2-3-2-----0-3---0-3 | -----2-3-2----- |  
A | - | ---5-----5-1-----0--- | --5-----5-0h3---0h3-- |  
E | - | -4----- | -4-----1----- |

1 3 2 1 3 2

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| | | | | | | |
E | - | ----- | -----0-----0 |
B | - | ----- | -----1-----1-----1- |
G | - | -----2-----2-----1-----1 | -2---2---2-----2-----2--- |
D | - | -0h3-----3-----2-----2-- | --2---2-----2-----2----- |
A | - | -2-----2-----2-----2--- | -0----- |
E | - | -----0----- | ----- |

2 4 3 2 3 1 3 2 1

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| | | | | | | |  
E | - | -0----- | -----0-----0 | -0-----1----- |  
B | - | -----3-----3-----3-----3- | -----1-----1-----3-----3 |  
G | - | ---4-----4-----4-----4--- | --2-----2-----2-----2--- |  
D | - | -----2-----2-----2----- | -2-----2-----0-----3--- |  
A | - | ----- | -0----- |  
E | - | -0----- | ----- |

III.....

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| | | | | | | |
E | - | -0----- | -----3----- | -----3-----3 |
B | - | -----1-----1-3---0-----0 | -----5-----5-----5--- |
G | - | ---0-----0-----0-----0--- | -5---5---5-----5-----5--- |
D | - | -2-----2-----3-----3--- | --5---5-----5-----5----- |

A |-----| -3-----|
 E | -3-----3-----|-----|

3 2 3 2 3 4 1
 1 2

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E | -3--1--1--1-3--1h3 | -3--0--0-4--0-5-- |  
 B | -3--3--3--3-- | -1--1--3--5 |  
 G | -0--0--0--0-- | -0--0--5-- |  
 D |-----|-----7-- |  
 A | -2-----| -3-----2--0-- |  
 E |-----|-----|

4 3 1                      4 3 1 4    4 1                      4 2    1 1 1  
 2                                      3                                      1                      3

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E | -7--0--0-8----- | -6-----4--0--0 |
 B | -0--0-----10--10 | -3-6--3-6--3--3-- |
 G | -7--7--9--9-- | -3--3--1--1-- |
 D |-----10--10-- | -0----- |
 A |-----0----- |----- |
 E | -4----- |-----0----- |

4 3 1 2 4 4 1 4 4 3
 1 3 1 1

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 V.....                      VI... V.....

E | -5-----5-- | -6-----4--1 |  
 B | -5--5--5--5--5 | -6--6--6--6--3-- |  
 G | -5--5--6--6-- | -7--7--7--2-- |  
 D | -7--7--7--7-- | -7--7--7--0-- |  
 A | -0===== |=====5--3-- |  
 E |-----|-----|

1 1 1                      2                      1 3 1 3 4 1 3 4 2 4 3 1  
 3                                      2                      1                      1                      2

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 V..... VI... V.....

E | -5-----5-- | -6-----4--1 |
 B | -5--5--5--5--5 | -6--6--6--6--3-- |
 G | -6--6--6--6-- | -7--7--7--2-- |
 D | -7--7--7--7-- | -7--7--7--0-- |
 A | -0===== |=====5--3-- |
 E |-----|-----|

V.....

E		-5	-----	5	-----		-3	-----	1	-----	1	-----	1	-----	3	-----	0			
B		-----	5	-----	5	-----	6	-----	6	-----		-----	3	-----	3	-----	3	-----	1	
G		-----	6	-----	6	-----	7	-----	7	-----		-----	0	-----	0	-----	0	-----	-----	
D		-----	7	-----	7	-----	7	-----	7	-----		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
A		-----	-----	-----	5	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	3	
E		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	

1 2 1 1 4 1 4 3 1 4 1
 3 3 2 3
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| E |  | -1    | ----- | 0     | ----- | 1     | ----- | ----- | 0     | ----- |  | ----- | ----- | 0     | ----- | 1     | ----- | ----- |       |       |  |
| B |  | ----- | 1     | ----- | 0     | 3     | ----- | 5     | ----- | 1     |  | ----- | ----- | 3     | ----- | 0     | ----- | 0     | ----- | 0     |  |
| G |  | ----- | ----- | ----- | 4     | ----- | 7     | ----- | 2     | ----- |  | ----- | ----- | 2     | ----- | 2     | ----- | 2     | ----- | 2     |  |
| D |  | ----- | 3     | ----- | 3     | ----- | 6     | ----- | 2     | ----- |  | ----- | ----- | 0     | ----- | 0     | ----- | 2     | ----- | 0     |  |
| A |  | ----- | 0     | ----- | 2     | ----- | ----- | ----- | 0     | ----- |  | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |  |
| E |  | ----- | ----- | ----- | 4     | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |  | ----- | ----- | 1     | ----- | ----- | 0     | ----- | ----- | ----- |  |

1 1    1    4 2 1 4 2 3 1    4 3            2 3 1 3  
 3    3    3                    1  
      2    1

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E		-0	-----	-----	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----		
B		-----	1	-----	1	-----	0	-----	0	-----		-----	-----	1	-----	1	-----	1	-----	1	
G		-----	2	-----	2	-----	1	-----	1	-----		-----	-----	2	-----	2	-----	2	-----	2	
D		-----	2	-----	2	-----	0	-----	0	-----		-----	-----	2	-----	2	-----	2	-----	2	
A		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----		-----	-----	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
E		-0	-----	-----	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----		-----	-----	-----	-----	0	-----	-----	0	-----	

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V..... II.....

E		-----	7	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----		
B		-----	9	-----	9	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
G		-----	10	-----	7	-----	10	-----	7	-----		-----	-----	5	-----	-----	2	-----	-----	-----	
D		-----	-----	-----	9	-----	s6	-----	0	-----		-----	-----	7	-----	7	-----	2	-----	2	
A		-----	-----	-----	8	-----	7	-----	-----	-----		-----	-----	7	-----	7	-----	3	-----	3	
E		-0	-----	-----	0	-----	-----	-----	0	-----		-----	-----	5	-----	-----	5	-----	-----	-----	

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| E |  | ----- | 0 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |  | ----- | ----- | 5 | ===== | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |  |
| B |  | ----- | 1 | ----- | 1     | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |  | ----- | ----- | 5 | ===== | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |  |



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G | - | ---2-----2---2----- | -----5===== |
D | - | -2-----2---2---2--- | -----7===== |
A | - | -0-----3---3 | p0=====0===== |
E | - | ----- | ----- |
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2 3 1                    4

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E | - | ----- |
B | - | ----- |
G | - | ----- |
D | - | -7===== |
A | - | -0===== |
E | - | ----- |
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The end ...

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- | ---Blimey! Quite tough at times but I tried to -- |
- | ---find the easiest positions. Good Luck!----- |
- | ----- | ----- |
- | ----- | -----David- |
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