

Deacon Blues
Steely Dan

I was looking for a better tab for this tune all over the net (one I could actually follow) and well, one thing kind of led to another...Thanks to

Let me know if you know of a better way to play it...
Regards, Pat Sullivan 9/2006 - *

INTRO:

Cmaj7 B7#5 A#maj7 A7#5 Dmaj7 C#7#5 Cmaj7 B7#5 E7#9

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E-----|
B--8-----8-----6-----6-----10-----10-----8-----8-----8 ~ 13 ~ 8-----8---|
G--9-----8-----7-----6-----11-----10-----9-----8-----7 ~ 12 ~ 7-----7---|
D--9-----7-----7-----5-----11-----9-----9-----7-----6-----6---|
A-----|
E--8-----7-----6-----5-----10-----9-----8-----7-----7-----|

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VERSE 1:

Cmaj7 A#13 G13 F13

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E-----|
B- ~ -8-----8-----5-----3---|
G- ~ -9-----7-----4-----2---|
D- ~ -9-----7-----4-----2---|
A-----|
E- ~ -8-----6-----3-----1---|

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This is the day of the expanding man

Cmaj7 A#13 G13 D9

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E-----5---|
B ~ 8-----8-----5-----5---|
G ~ 9-----7-----4-----5---|
D ~ 9-----7-----4-----4---|
A-----5---|
E ~ 8-----6-----3-----3---|

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That shape is my shade there where I used to stand

F6add9 Edim7 D6add9 C6add9

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E--8-----6-----5-----3---|
B--8-----8-----5-----3---|
G--7-----6-----4-----2---|
D--7-----6-----4-----2---|
A--8-----7-----5-----3---|
E-----|

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It seems like only yesterday I gazed through the glass

	D6add9	D#6add9	D6add9	C6add9	B7#9	E7#9
E	-----5-----	-----6-----	-----5-----	-----3-----		
B	-----5-----	-----6-----	-----5-----	-----3-----	-----3-----	-----8-----
G	-----4-----	-----5-----	-----5-----	-----3-----	-----2-----	-----7-----
D	-----4-----	-----5-----	-----4-----	-----2-----	-----1-----	-----6-----
A	-----5-----	-----6-----	-----5-----	-----3-----	-----2-----	-----7-----
E	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

At ramblers, wild gamblers- That s all in the past

	Cmaj7	A#13	G13	F13
E	-----	-----6-----	-----5-----	-----3-----
B	~ 8-----	-----8-----	-----5-----	-----3-----
G	~ 9-----	-----7-----	-----4-----	-----2-----
D	~ 9-----	-----7-----	-----4-----	-----2-----
A	-----	-----	-----	-----
E	~ 8-----	-----6-----	-----3-----	-----1-----

You call me a fool you say it s a crazy scheme

	Cmaj7	A#13	G13	D9
E	-----	-----	-----	-----5-----
B	--8-----	-----8-----	-----5-----	-----5-----
G	--9-----	-----7-----	-----4-----	-----5-----
D	--9-----	-----7-----	-----4-----	-----4-----
A	-----	-----	-----	-----5-----
E	--8-----	-----6-----	-----3-----	-----

This one s for real I already bought the dream

	F6add9	Edim7
E	--8-----	-----6-----
B	--8-----	-----8-----
G	--7-----	-----6-----
D	--7-----	-----6-----
A	--8-----	-----7-----
E	-----	-----

So useless to ask me why

	D6add9	C#dim7	D6add9/C#6add9/C6add9
E	--5-----	-----3-----	-----5 ~ 4 ~ 3-----
B	--5-----	-----5-----	-----5 ~ 4 ~ 3-----
G	--4-----	-----3-----	-----4 ~ 3 ~ 2-----
D	--4-----	-----3-----	-----4 ~ 3 ~ 2-----
A	--5-----	-----4-----	-----5 ~ 4 ~ 3-----
E	-----	-----	-----

Throw a kiss and say goodbye

	F6add9	D6add9	F6add9
E	-----8- 8~10 8~10-----	-----5-----	-----8-----
B	-----8- 8~10 8~10-----	-----5-----	-----8-----
G	-----7-----	-----4-----	-----7-----
D	-----7-----	-----4-----	-----7-----
A	-----8-----	-----5-----	-----8-----
E	-----	-----	-----

I ll make it this time- I m ready to cross that fine line

CHORUS:

A7#9 Em7 Dm9 Cmaj7

E---5-----1-----

B---5-----3-----1-----

G---5-----2-----

D---5-----2-----

A---4-----2-----3-----

E---5-----3-----

I ll Learn to work the saxophone and I play just what I feel

F Am7 Cadd9 C F Am7

C A# Fmaj7

E--1-----1-----1-----1-----1-/------ |

B--1-----1-----1-----1-----1-----1-----1-----3-/-1--- |

G--2-----2-----2-----2-----2-----3-/-2--- |

D--3-----2-----2-----3-----2-----2-----2-/-3--- |

A-----3-----3-----

E-----

Drink scotch whiskey all night long

G Am7

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

B-----1--- |

G----- |

D-----2--- |

A-----2--- |

E-----3--- |

And die behind the wheel

Am7 Em7

E----- |

B--1-----3----- |

G----- |

D--2----- |

A-----2----- |

E----- |

They got a name for the winners in the world

Dm7 Cmaj7

E--1----- |

B--1----- |

G--2----- |

D-----2--- |

A-----3--- |

E-----3--- |

I want a name when I lose

F Am7 Cadd9 C F Am7

C A# Fmaj7

E--1-----1-----1-/------ |

B--1-----1-----1-----1-----1-----1-----1-----3-/-1--- |

G--2-----2-----2-----2-----2-----3-/-2--- |

D---3-----2-----2---3---2-----2-/-3---|
A-----3-----3-----|
E-----|

They call Alabama the Crimson Tide

G Am7 Em7 A13
C13 A#13 E7#9
E---3-----|
B-----1-----3-----7---5---10---8 ~ 13 ~ 8 ---8---|
G-----6---4---9---7 ~ 12 ~ 7 ---7---|
D-----2-----6---4---9---7-----6---|
A---2-----2-----7---|
E---3-----5---3---8---6-----|

VERSE 2 :

My back to the wall a victim of laughing chance
This is for me the essence of true romance
Sharing the things we know and love with those of my kind
Libations, sensations which stagger the mind
I crawl like a viper through these suburban streets
Make love to these women languid and bittersweet
I ll rise when the sun goes down
Cover every game in town
A world of my own- I ll make it my home sweet home

CHORUS:

INSTRUMENTAL:

A9 G9 E9 A9 G9 E9
B9 G7#9 D9 D#9 D9 C9 Cmaj7/B7#5/A#maj7/A7#5
E---12--10--7--12--10--7--3--2---3---5---6---5---3-----|
B---12--10--7--12--10--7--3--2---3---5---6---5---3---8--8--6--6---|
G---12--10--7--12--10--7--3--2---3---5---6---5---3---9--8--7--6---|
D---11--9--6--11--9--6--2--1---3---4---5---4---2---9--7--7--5---|
A---12--10--7--12--10--7--3--2---2---5---6---5---3-----|
E-----3-----8--7--6--5---|

A9 G9 E9 A9 G9 E9 C9B9 G7#9 D9 D#9 D9 C9
E---12--10--7--12--10--7--3--2---3---5---6---5---3---|
B---12--10--7--12--10--7--3--2---3---5---6---5---3---|
G---12--10--7--12--10--7--3--2---3---5---6---5---3---|
D---11--9--6--11--9--6--2--1---3---4---5---4---2---|
A---12--10--7--12--10--7--3--2---2---5---6---5---3---|
E-----3-----|

Cmaj7 B7#5 A#maj7 A7#5 Dmaj7 C#7#5 Cmaj7 B7#5 E7#9 E7#9
E-----8-----|
B---10---8---8---8---8---8---6---6---10---10---8---8---8---8---|

G---11---8---9---8---9---8---7---6---11---10---9---8---7---7---|
D---11---9---9---7---9---7---7---5---11---9---9---7---6---6---|
A-----7---7---|
E---10---9---8---7---8---7---6---5---10---9---8---7-----|

Verse 3: (Same chords as the 2nd half of Verse 1)

This is the night of the expanding man
I take one last drag as I approach the stand
I cried when I wrote this song
Sue me if I play too long
This brother is free- I ll be what I want to be

CHORUS

OUTRO:

Same chords as the first half of Verse 1 - (X2) - to fade

There are several slides and variations on these chords that Becker throws in
but
these chords should get you close enough to where those fills are pretty
obvious...
Have Fun! :)