

**2000 Miles**  
**The Pretenders**

(1983)

(This whole song should be played on a Rickenbacker 12-string or per  
The Isle of View on an acoustic 12-string! -- LM)

> The intro lick, that also continues through most of the song,  
> goes like this:

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>
> e |-----2-3-|-0-----2-3-|
> b | -3-----|---3-----|
> G |---0-----|-----2-----|
> D |-----0-----|-----|
> A |-----|-----|
> E |-----|-----|
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Try this instead -- let the bass notes ring. Note that the timing is  
triplets:

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    t t t t t t t t t t t
e |-----2-3-0-----2-3-|
4 b | 3-----3-----|
- G |--0-----0-----|
4 D |---0-----|
  A |-----3-----0-----|
  E | 3-----3-----|
```

> Then right before the first verse:

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>
> e |-----|
> b | -3p1-0-----|
> G |-----2-0---|
> D |-----4-|
> A |-----|
> E |-----|
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VERSE 1

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>
> G          C(add9) Dsus2/A G
              Dsus4 D
> He s gone
>
>          C(add9) Dsus2/A G
              Dsus4 D
> Two thousand miles
>
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> C(add9) Dsus2/A G C(add9) Dsus2/A

> Is very far

>

> The snow was falling down

> It s colder day by day

> I miss you

> C(add9) D

C(add9)1 D ; C(add9)1 = x32030

> The children were singing

> C(add9) D G C(add9) Dsus2/A etc.

> He ll be back at Christmas time

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VERSE 2

> In these frozen silent nights

> Sometimes in a dream

> You appear

>

> Outside under the purple sky

> Diamonds in the snow

> Sparkle

>

> Our hearts were singing

> It felt like Christmas time

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> (The lick at through this next part goes something like this:)

>

> e|-----3-----|-----|

> b|---3-----|-----1-----3-|

> G|-0-----|---0-----2---|

> D|-----4-0-|-2-----4-----|

> A|-----|-----|

> E|-----|-----|

BRIDGE

> G C(add9) Dsus2 G

> Two thousand miles

>

> C(add9) Dsus2 G

> Is very far through the snow

>

> C(add9) Dsus2 G

> I ll think of you

>

> C(add9) Dsus2 C(add9) Dsus2

> Wherever you go

>

> e|-----|

> b|-3p1-0-----|

> G|-----2-0---|  
> D|-----4-|  
> A|-----|  
> E|-----|  
>

VERSE 3

> He s gone  
> Two thousand miles  
> Is very far  
>  
> The snow was falling down  
> It s colder day by day  
> I miss you  
>  
> I can hear people singing  
> It must be Christmas time  
>  
> I hear people singing  
> It must be Christmas time  
>  
>  
> G: 320033  
> C(add9): x32033  
> Dsus2/A: x00230

D: x00232  
Dsus4: x00233  
C(add9)1: x32030

> Suggestions and corrections welcomed as always--

Same here!

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