

Summer Nights

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(For the sake of accuracy, I have tabbed this song as it would ACTUALLY be played. With the capo on the 3rd fret, your open notes are technically all gonna be 3 s in tab. So until I indicate that you are to remove the capo, all 3 s mean that you leave the string open and let the capo do the rest. :) For example, the first chord here is SUPPOSED to look like a standard G shape, but the tab looks funny because the 3rd fret is really your open. Is that confusing enough?...)

w/fingers:

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| |-----5-----3---|-----|-----5-----3---|-----
| | -6-----6-----6---6-| -6-----6p5---3-----| -6-----6-----6---6-|-----
| | -3---3-5---5-----| -3---3-5-----5---| -3---3-5---5-----|-----
| | -3---3---3-----| -3---3---5---5-----5-| -3---3---3-----|-----
| |-----| -5-5---3-----|-----|-----|-----
| | -6-6-----|-----| -6-6-----|-----
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-----|-----5-----3---|-----|
6-----6p5---3-----| -6-----6---6---6-| -6-----5---|
3---3-5-----5---| -3---3-5---5-----| -3---3-5---|
3---3---5---5---5---5-| -3---3---3-----| -3---3---5---|
5-5---3-----|-----| -5---5---3---|
-----| -6-6-----| -6-6-----|
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w/pick:

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6-6-6-6-6-6-----| -6-6-6---5-5-----| ---6-6-6---6-6-----|
3-3-3-3-5-5-----| -3-3-3---5-5-----| ---3-3-3---5-5-----|
3-3-3-3-3-3---x| -3-3-3---5-5---3-7p5p3-----| ---3-3-3---3-3---x|
-----3---x| -5-5-5---3-3-----7p5p3-|-----x|
6-6-6-6-----x|-----| -6-6-6-6-----x|
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6-6-6---5-5-----| ---6-6-6-6-6-6-----|
3-3-3---5-5-----| ---3-3-3-3-5-5-----|
3-3-3---5-5-----8-----| ---3-3-3-3-3-3---xx|
5-5-5---3-3---3h5h6h7---7p6p5p3-|-----3---xx|
-----| -6-6-6-6-6-----xx|
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* [nh w/bar]

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-----2~~~|-----|
6-6-6---5-5-----3---|-----|
3-3-3---5-5-----2-2---| -5---/---7-|
3-3-3---5-5-----2-0---| -5---/---7-|
5-5-5---3-3-----0-----|-----|
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at * return to standard
position (remove capo)

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When you re back in standard, you re ready to begin the main part of the song, which has the following chord progression with a few variations:

G D G/B A

And it s played like so...

G	D	G/B	A
-3-3-3-----	-3-3-3-----	---3-3-3-----	
-3-3-3-3-3---	-3-3-3-2-2-----	---3-3-3-3-3-	
-0-0-0-2-2---	-0-0-0-2-2-----	---0-0-0-2-2-	
-0-0-0-0-0---	-0-0-0-2-2---0-4p2p0-----	---0-0-0-0-0-	
-----0-0---	-2-2-2-0-0-----4p2p0-	-----0-0-	
-3-3-3-----	-----	-3-3-3-3-----	

w/bar

3-3-3-----	---3-3-3-----	-3-3-3-----
3-3-3-2-2-----	---3-3-3-3-3-----	-3-3-3-2--2~~~-----
0-0-0-2-2-----	---0-0-0-2-2-----	-0-0-0-2--2~~~-----
0-0-0-2-2-----5-----	---0-0-0-0-0-----	-0-0-0-2--2~~~-----
2-2-2-0-0---0h2h3h4---4p3p2p0-	-----0-0-----	-2-2-2-0--0~~~-----
-----	-3-3-3-3-----x--	-----

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*-2-----	-2-----
*-0-4---x-2-4-----	-0-4-----
---2---0-2---0h2p0-	--2-----x-4p2p0-
-----	-----0h2p0-3p0-4-5-----