

Top Of The World
Van Halen

Intro:

Palm mute all the single notes.

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E|-0-----0-----0-----0---0-----0-----0-----0---0-----|
B|-5-5-5-4-5-5-2-2-2-5-5-4-4-5-0-0-0-5-5-5-4-5-5-----|
G|-----|
D|-----4-4--2-2-----|
A|-----2-2--0-0--2-----|
E|-----0-----|
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E|-0-----0-----0-----0---0-----0-----0-----0---0-----|
B|-5-5-5-4-5-5-2-2-2-5-5-4-4-5-0-0-0-5-5-5-4-5-5-----|
G|-----pickslide-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|
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The second guitar is doing this natural harmonic. If you're by Yourself, I wouldn't recommend doing this. Turn volume Up slowly for it.

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E|-volume down-24h-volume-up-----|
B|-----|
G|-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|
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Kick in:

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E|-----9-7--5-5-3-5~5p4p0-----|
B|-----7-73-5-3-----17b19r18b19r17~----|
G|--6-6-----2-----|
D|--6-6--4-4--2-lettring-----|
A|--4-4--2-2--0-----0-0-0-----|
E|-----|
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Pm: -----

Verse: (palm mute the single notes again)

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

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Prechorus

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E |-----0-0-0-----5-4-2--2-4-5--5-4-2-2-----|
B |-----4-5-5--4-5-2-2-----5-4-2--2-4-5--5-4-2-2-pickslide-|
D |-----2-----7-----|
A |-----2-----7-----|
E |-0-0-0-----5-4-2-0-----|
Pm -----

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E |-----|
B |-----|
G |-----|
D |-----|
A |--3-----|
E |-----6-5--6-----|

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Chorus:

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E |-----0-----0-0----0--0--0--0-----0-----|
B |-----5-5-5-4--2--5-5-4h-5-0--5-4-4-5-5--2-3p2--7-8-7-----|
G |-----2-2---6-6-6-----|
D |-----|
A |-----|
E |--0-----|

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E |-----0-----0-0----0--0--0--0-----0-----0-----|
B |-----5-5-5-4--2--5-5-4h-5-0--5-4-4-5-5-----0-----|
G |-----4-4-4-4-2-----|
D |-----4-4-4-4-2-----|
A |-----2-2-2-2-0-----|
E |--0-----|

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[Tab from: <http://www.guitaretab.com/v/van-halen/20180.html>]

Afterchorus: (yeah cant think of what to call it!)

To do the pinch harmonics you pinch them at different areas.

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E |-----0-----|
B |-----5-5-5-5-5-5---5-5-5-5-4-----|
G |-----9ba.h.r-9ba.h.9a.hr-----|
D |-----|
A |-----0-----|
E |--0-----0-----|

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E |-----0-----|
B |-----5-5-5-5-5-5---5-5-5-5-4-----|
G |-----pickslide-----9-7-----|
D |-----2-----9~-----|
A |-----0-----|
E |--0-----0-----0-3-----|

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Go to prechorus, after that chorus. In the background This is being played. this goes on for the rest of the song. evh is putting these notes together:

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E |-----|
B |--17-----19--15-----|

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G|-----16-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|

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Interlude: the chords were hard to hear, so this will be rough.

Play this a couple times:

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E|-----|
B|-----9-7-----9-9-----|
G|-----9--7-----9--9-----|
D|---7---7-9-----7--7-7--9--9-----|
A|---7-7---9-----7---7-7--9-----9-----|
E|---5---7---7-----5---7-----7-----|

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This is the bit where he says upside down.

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E|-----|
B|-----|
G|-----|
D|----7--9--9--11-----|
A|----7--9--9--11-----|
E|----5--7--7--9-----|

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Wah solo:

Here evh is messing with whammy and wah. Just shove
Your wah up really high. It doesn't matter about notes.

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E|----18b~-----|
B|-----10-----|
G|-----9-7-9-9~--9---9-7-9~-----11p911b11p9-7v-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----3wb/-5wb/-7wb/-----|

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E|-----|
B|-----11-----|
G|----9-7-9-9~--9---9-7-9~---19p1719b19p1715~-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|

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Turn wah off.

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E|--8----7----8----14b-14p11-11--8----7----8-----|
B|--8-7-5-8-7-5-8-7-7-----8-7-5-8-7-5-8-----|
G|-----5hw.b-----|
D|-----7h-5hwb-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|

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E|--8----7----8----14b-14p11-11--8----7----8-----|
B|--8-7-5-8-7-5-8-7-7-----8-7-5-8-7-5-----|
G|-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|

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Fast scale up here.

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E |-----10h12-15wb-12-10-12~----|
B |-----11h12h14-----|
G |-----11h12h14-----|
D |-----11h12h14-----|
A |-----11h12h14-----|
E |--10h11h12-----|
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Go back to chorus.

Fill during outro:

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E |-----|
B |-pickslide-9a.h-----|
G |-----|
D |-----6-4-2-----|
A |-----4-2-0-----|
E |-----0-----|
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