

Key: Db

Genre: Blues

Harp Type: Diatonic

Skill: Any

Mistreatin Mama

Use this tab as a guide to imitate the audio clip.

Two holes in parentheses (-3 -4) means play them both at the same time.

Try not to get very much breath through the second hole, except in the ending riff. The way I do this (We're all different.) is to do a

Billy Idol sneer to reach over to the higher hole.

/ or indicates a slur.

By "Inhale" or "Exhale", I mean to let a little puff of air in or out with your lips barely touching the harp.

To get his vibrato, I do a kind of a nervous jiggle with my belly.

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First verse:

Wail & moan on -4, at one point hitting -5 for a nano-second, then

gliss across -3 to -2 (hold the -2). Exhale.

-3 -4 -3 -2" -2 Exhale

Play the -3 with varying degrees of bend, then go up to -3 unbent and

down to -1.

Exhale -3 -4 -3 -2' -2

He starts singing about something, here.

Second verse:

-4 -4 -4 -4' -4' 4 -4' -3 -2

Slight bend...More bend

Exhale -3 -4 -3 -3' -3" (-3 -4)

Exhale -4 -4 -4 -4' -1 Exhale -3 -2 -4 -3 -2-2'/(-2 -3) Exhale


-4 -4 -4 -4 -4 -4 -4' -4 -3 -2 Exhale -3 -3 -3' 2 (-2 -3)

Now he does some more of that singin'.

-4 -4 -4 -4 -4 -4' 5 4 (3 4) Inhale

-3 -4 (-3 -2) -2 -2

(Weak on -2)

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More singin'.

-3' -3' -3' -3' -3" -3 -2 Exhale

Listen to the clip and imitate his degree of bends.

-3 3 -4 (-3' -4') -4 -3 (-2 -3)

-gliss-

Singing again.

-4 -4 -4 -4 -4 -4' -4 -3 -2 Exhale

-3 -4 -3 -2 -2 Exhale

-3 -3 -3 -3' -4 -1 Exhale -3 -2 -4 (-3' -4')

(-2' -3') (-2' -3')

"Mmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmm Mmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmm"

-4' -4' -4' 4 -4 -3 (-2 -3) Exhale


-3 -4 -3 -3 3 (-3 -4) Exhale

-3' -3' -3' -3' -3 -2 -1 Exhale

-3 -4 -3 -2 -2 Exhale

-4 -4 -4 -4 -4 -4 -4-4' -4 -3 -2 Exhale

-3 -4 -3 -2 -2


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(5 6) (-4 -5) (4 5) (-4 -5) (4 5)

-3 (3 4) (2 3) (-2 -3) (2 3) -2 2 -2

Lyrics

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