

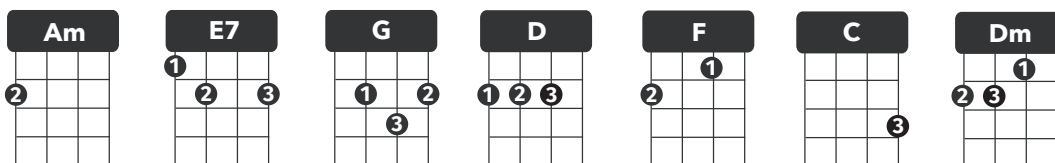
HOTEL CALIFORNIA

74 bpm

by The Eagles, 1977

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Ukulele arrangement by Cynthia Lin, <http://cynthialin.com/ukulele>



counts 1 e & a 2 e & a 3 e & a 4 e & a

intro picking pattern: [(1234) - 3-2 - 4-3-2 - 4 - 3]

strum pattern: [D- d u X u d u - D- d u X u d u]

optional muted riff: [E7 - E7/ x x x x]

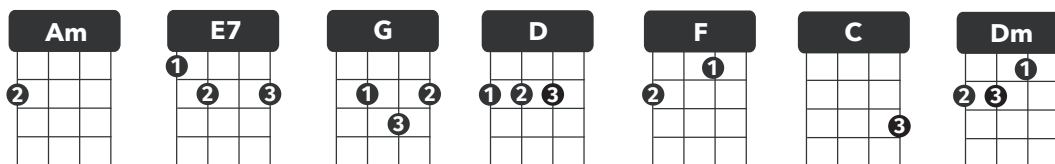
INTRO Am E7 G D F C Dm [E7 - E7/]

VERSE

Am	E7
1. On a dark desert highway	cool wind in my hair
2. There she stood in the doorway	I heard the mission bell
G	D
1. Warm smell of colitas	rising up through the air
2. And I was thinking to myself, This could be heaven or this could be hell	
F	C
1. Up ahead in the distance	I saw a shimmering light
2. Then she lit up a candle	and she showed me the way
Dm	[E7 - E7/]
1. My head grew heavy and my sight grew dim	I had to stop for the night
2. There were voices down the corridor	I thought I heard them say

CHORUS

F	C
Welcome to the Hotel Cali-fornia	
E7	Am
Such a lovely place (such a lovely place)	such a lovely face
F	C
Plenty of room at the Hotel Cali-fornia	
Dm	[E7 - E7/]
Any time of year (any time of year)	you can find it here



VERSE **Am** **E7**

3. Her mind is Tiffany-twisted She got the Mercedes bends

4. So I called up the captain Please bring me my wine (he said)

G **D**

3. She got a lot of pretty pretty boys she calls friends

4. We haven't had that spirit here since 1969

F **C**

3. How they danced in the courtyard sweet summer sweat

4. And still those voices are calling from far away

Dm [**E7** - **E7/**]

3. Some dance to remember some dance to for-get

4. Wake you up in the middle of the night Just to hear them say

CHORUS **F** **C*riff**

 Welcome to the Hotel Cali-fornia

E7 **Am**

Such a lovely place (such a lovely place) such a lovely face

F **C*riff**

 Livin' it up at the Hotel Cali-fornia

Dm [**E7** - **E7/ hold**]

 What a nice surprise (what a nice surprise), bring your alibis

C*riff d du X u - ud duX udu

A		--3----	5--7-----	
E		--0----	0--8-----	
C		--0----	0--0-----	
G		--0----	0--0-----	

(verse 5 single strums, or pick 1-2-3-4)

VERSE **Am** **E7**

5. Mirrors on the ceiling pink champagne on ice (and she said)

6. Last thing I remember, I was running for the door

G **D**

5. We are all just prisoners here of our own device

6. I had to find the passage back to the place I was before

F **C**

5. And in the master's chambers, they gathered for the feast

6. "Relax" said the night man, "we are programmed to receive"

Dm/ [**E7/ / / - E7/**]

5. They stab it with their steely knives but they just can't kill the beast

6. You can check out any time you like but you can never leave

OUTRO d (ud) u (du) d (ud) u (du) d d

Am/ xx Am/ xx Am/ xx Am/ xx Am/ / **E7 G D F C Dm [E7 - E]**

variations

Am* **E** **G*** **D*** **F*** **C*riff** **Dm** [**E7** - **E7/ xxxxx**] END **Am////**

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