



JoniMitchell.com Transcription for Guitar:

Blue Motel Room

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Tuning: CGDFAD 'Joni' Tuning: C77345

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Based on Howard's and my previous tab by Mark Domyancich (mark@jmdl.com)

I wasn't terribly satisfied with the tab Howard and I worked on... I found it pretty difficult to follow and some strings in some chords were played differently so I tabbed this one out with more detail.

Tuning: C G D F A D (slightly higher: try tuning to the open strings in the song)

C 7 7 3 4 5

Intro:

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D-----0-----2--2--2-----|
A-----0-----2--2--2----(0)-|
F-----2-----0-----7-----0-----2--2--2----(0)-|
D-----2-----2/3-----7-----9-----2--2--2---2-----|
G-----0-----|
C-0-----7/--0-----|

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D-----|
A-----|
F-----|
D-2----5----7----|
G-2----5-----7---|
C-----5-----7-|

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Verse 1:

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002222

I've got a blue motel room

777777

555755

With a blue bedspread

555555

557755

I've got the blues inside and

555755

333333

Outside my head

335533

Will you still love me

xxx000

When I call you up when I am down

0x20xx

Verse 2:

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002222

xx22xx slide xx77xx

Here in Savannah

777777 779977 555555

It's pouring rain

Palm trees in the porchlight like

557755 333333

Slick black cellophane

333533

Will you still love me

xx22xx

When I call you up when I get back to town

0x2000

Middle 8:

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10 10 10 9 0 0

I know that you got all those pretty girls

Coming 'round

777777 779977

Hanging on your boom boom pachyderm

555555

Well you tell those girls that you've got

557755

German Measles, honey tell 'em you got germs

0z2000

777777

I hope you'll be thinking of me because

779977 10 10 10 10 10 10

I'll be thinking of you

10 10 12 12 10 10

While I'm travelling home alone

333333 335533 333333

Tell those girls that you got Joni

002200

She's coming back home

D-----0-----0-----0-|

A-----0-----0-----0-|

F-/2--0--2--0--4--4--0--6--6-| (same picking rhythm as chords

D-----| for the open 1st and 2nd strings)

G-----|

C-----|

Scat singing part:

002222 xx22xx slide xx77xx 777777 779977 555555 557755

D-----5-				D-2--2--2-
A-----				A-2-----
F---7----	333333	335533	0x20xx	F-2-----
D-7-----				D-2-----
G-----				G-0-----
C-----				C-0-----

Verse 3:

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777777

I've got road maps

777977

From two dozen states

555555

I've got coast to coast

557755

Just to contemplate

333333 335533 333333

Will you still love me

0x20xx

When I get back to town

D-----|
A-----|
F----0-----0---2-|
D-2-----2-----|
G-----|
C-----|

0x2000

Verse 4:

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002222

It's funny how these old feelings

D----7-----5--0-|
A----7--0----5--0-|
F-7-----0--5--0-|
D-7-----|
G-----|
C-----|

Hang around

555555

557755

You think they're gone no, no

They just go underground

333333

333333 hammer on 4th string of 335533 333333

Will you still love me

0x2000

When I get back to L.A. Town

Middle 8 (#2):

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10 10 10 9 0 0

You and me are like America and Russia

777777

We're always keeping

D---|

A-7-|

F---|

D---|

G---|

C---|

Score

555555

557755

We're always balancing the power

0x2000

And that can get to be a cold, cold war

777777

779977

We're going to have to hold ourselves a peace talk

D-----|
A-----|
F-9--9--9--9--9-----| 10 10 10 10 10 10
D-9--9--9--9--9-----|
G-----7/10-|
C-----|

10 10 12 12 10 10

In some neutral cafe

D-----|
A-----|
F-----10-|
D-12-----|
G-----|
C-----|

333333 335533 333333
You lay down your sneaking 'round the town, honey

0x20xx
And I'll lay down the highway

Verse 5, in free time:
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002222 777777
I've got a blue motel room

779977
With a blue bedspread

555555

557755

I've got the blues inside and

555555

333333

Outside my head

335533

Will you still love me

333333

0x2000

When I get back to town

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 -----0-----||
 ---0---0---0---2---2---||
 -2---2---2---2-----2---||
 -----0---||
 -----0---||

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