

# RIME OF THE ANCIENT MARINER

As recorded by Iron Maiden

(From the 1984 Album POWERSLAVE)

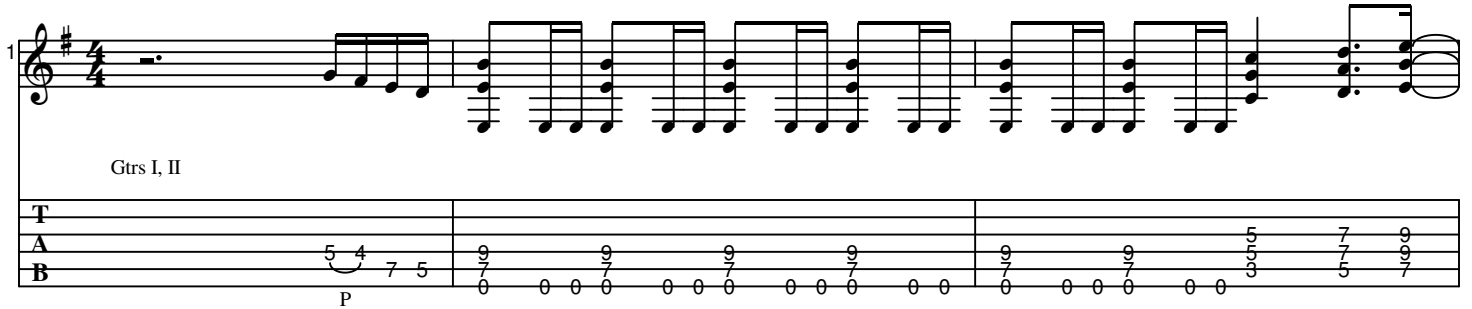
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## A Intro - Riff 1

Moderately ♩ = 114

1



Gtrs I, II

T  
A  
B

5 4 7 5 | 9 9 9 9 9 9 | 9 9 9 9 9 9 | 5 7 9 | 7 9 | 7 9

P

4

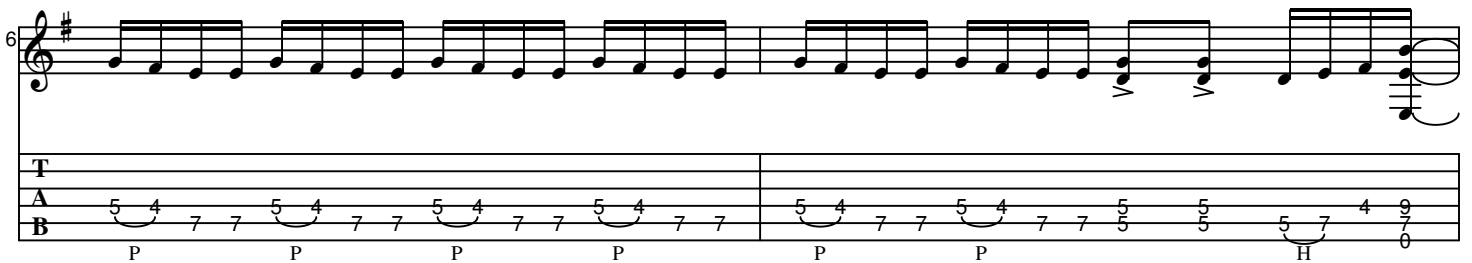


T  
A  
B

9 9 9 9 9 9 | 9 9 9 9 9 9 | 5 7 | 7 9 | 7 9

P

6

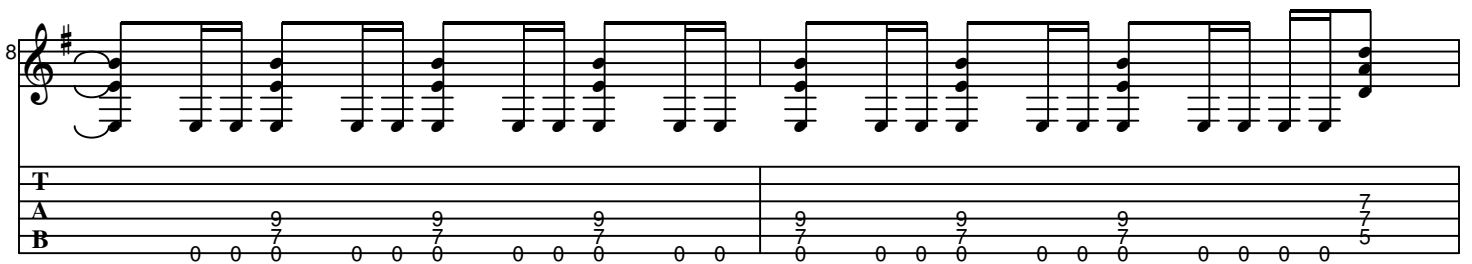


T  
A  
B

5 4 7 7 5 4 7 7 5 4 7 7 5 4 7 7 | 5 4 7 7 5 4 7 7 5 5 5 5 7 4 9 | 7 0

P P P P P P H

8



T  
A  
B

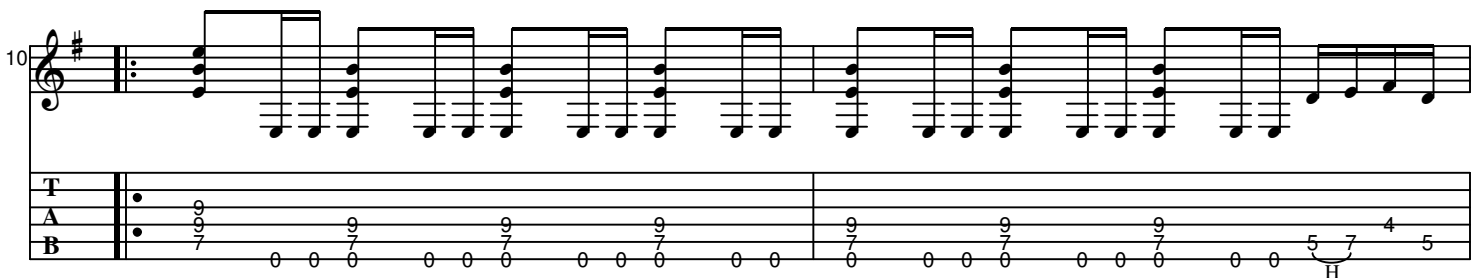
9 9 9 9 9 9 | 9 9 9 9 9 9 | 9 9 9 9 9 9 | 7 7 | 7 9 | 7 9

P

## B Verses 1,2,9



10



T  
A  
B

9 9 9 9 9 9 | 9 9 9 9 9 9 | 9 9 9 9 9 9 | 5 7 4 5 | 7 9 | 7 9

P H





26

Gtr I

T		
A	5 4 7 4 5 5 5 5 4 7 4 5	7 5 4 5 7 7 7 7 5 4 5 7
B		

Gtr II

T		
A	9 7 10 7 9 9 9 9 7 10 7 9	12 10 9 10 12 12 12 12 10 9 10 12
B		

28

T		
A	5 4 7 4 5 5 5 5 4 7 4 5	7 5 4 5 7 7 7 7 7 5 4 9 7 0
B		

T		
A	9 7 10 7 9 9 9 9 7 10 7 9	12 10 9 10 12 12 12 12 12 7 9 10 9
B		

30

Gtrs I, II

T		
A	9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 7 7	9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 7 5
B	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

**D** Verses 3,4,11,12

32

T		
A	9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 5 7 4 5	9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 5 7 4 5
B	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 5 7 4 5

34

T  
A  
B

36

T  
A  
B

38

T  
A  
B

**E** Chorus

40

T  
A  
B

*sl.*

(2nd time on D.S.S.) To Dbl. Coda

42

Gtr I

T  
A  
B

Gtr II

T  
A  
B





64

Gtr I

T  
A  
B 0 0 0 2 2 2 3 3 3 5 3 2 | 0 0 0 2 2 2 3 3 3 5 3 2

Gtr II

T  
A  
B 7 7 7 9 9 9 10 10 10 12 10 9 | 7 7 7 9 9 9 10 10 10 12 10 9  
P P P P

66

Gtrs I, II

T  
A 9 9  
B 7 0 | 7 0

68

Gtr I

T  
A  
B 0 0 0 2 2 2 3 3 3 5 3 2 | 0 0 0 2 2 2 3 3 3 5 3 2

Gtr II

T  
A  
B 7 7 7 9 9 9 10 10 10 12 10 9 | 7 7 7 9 9 9 10 10 10 12 10 9  
P P P P

**I Refrain**

70

Gtrs I, II

T  
A  
B 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 | 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 | 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3



**K** Riff 4

94

Gtr I

Gtr II

1., 2., 3.

96

4.

98

**L** Interlude

Slowly ♩ = 66

102

T  
A  
B

106

Gtr IV

T							
A	5	7	9	10	12	13	7
B							

Gtr III

T							
A	10					7	
B	11					8	
B	12					9	

110

1. . 2.

T  
A  
B

T							
A	5	7	9	10	12	13	8
B							

T  
A  
B

T							
A	10					8	
B	11					9	
B	12					10	





142

144

146

Detailed description of the musical score: The score is for the song 'Rime of the Ancient Mariner' by Iron Maiden. It consists of three systems of music, each with a guitar staff, a bass staff, and a drum staff. The guitar staffs contain standard musical notation with treble clefs and various notes, rests, and ornaments. The bass staffs contain tablature with fret numbers (0-15) and techniques like 'p' (palm mute) and 'sl.' (slide). The drum staffs contain chord diagrams with letters T, A, and B representing strings. The first system (measures 142-143) features a melodic line in the guitar and a bass line with a triplet. The second system (measures 144-145) includes a long slide in the guitar and a complex bass line with many triplets. The third system (measures 146-147) continues the melodic and bass lines with various techniques and ornaments.

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Full Full

T  
A 8 8  
B 10 (10) 10

(8)  
(10) 8 5 8 7 5 7 5 7 5

T  
A 7  
B 7 5

(7)  
(5) 3 3 3 3 2 0

P P

150

Full

T  
A 5 7 7 8  
B 7 (7) 7 5

7

T  
A 3 3 3 3  
B 5 5 5 5

7 5

152

4:6 4:6 4:6 4:6 4:6

T  
A 14 13 12 15 13 12 15 13 12 12 13 12 15 13 12 15 13 12 14 13 12 14 14 (14)

B  
sl. P P P P P P P P P sl.

T  
A 7  
B 7 5

(7)  
(7)  
(5) 3 3 3 3 2 0

P P



160

166

166

T A B

Full

15 (15) 17 14 15 14

sl. H P

T A B

7 7 9 7

5 7 7 5

168

168

T A B

Full

17 (17) 15 17 15 16 15 17 14 15 14 17 14 17

H P H H P

T A B

4:6

(9) (9) (7)

170

170

T A B

Full

17 15 14 15 14 12 14 12 15 12 15 12 15 12 14 12 14 12 14

P P P P P

T A B

7 9 7

5 7 5

**S** Riff 7

172

Gtr I

T	12	12 10	12	10 12 13	12	10 12 10
A						
B						

H P

Gtr II

T						
A						
B	5	5 4	5	4 5 7	5	5 4

175

Gtr I

T						
A	11	12 10	12	12 10	12	10 12 13
B						

Gtr II

T						
A						
B	5	7 4	5	5 4	5	4 5 7

**T** Riff 8

178

Gtr I

T	12	13 12 10	11	12 10	4 5 4 5 4 5 4 5 4 5 4 5
A					
B					

P P

Gtr II

T					
A					
B	5	7 5 4	5	7 4	0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2

P P

181

T  
A  
B

T  
A  
B

**U** Riff 9

184

T  
A  
B

T  
A  
B

187

T  
A  
B

T  
A  
B

3. Tempo I ♩ = 114

190

Gtrs I, II

T  
A  
B

*D.S. al Coda*

192

T  
A  
B

V Verse 10



194

T  
A  
B

196

T  
A  
B

*sl.*

*D.S.S. al Dbl. Coda*

198

T  
A  
B

*sl.*

**W** Outro

*rit.*

200

T  
A  
B 5 3 3 5 3 3 5 3 3 5 5 / 5 5 5 7 5 5 7 5 5 7

*sl.*

202

T  
A  
B 9 7 (9) (7) (9) (7) (9) (7)