SLOOP JOHN B – THE BEACH BOYS:

Capo : N/A. *(NB: The original is in **G#**, so the capo would need to be on the 1st fret for that).*

Throughout the song, there is a repeating sequence, which is shown on the attached tab sheet.

[Intro] **e7..... e8 e7 B8 *D10 D9** * [Verse 1] (below), starts here.

[Verse 1] 1, 2, 3, 4

1, 2, 3 **G C G C G**

We come on the sloop John B, my grandfather and me

D G G7

Around Nassau town we did roam. Drinking all night

C Am G D G

Got into a fight. Well I feel so broke up, I want to go home

[Chorus 1]

G C G C G

So hoist up the John B's sail. See how the mainsail sets

C|G D D

Call for the captain ashore. Let me go home,

G G7

Let me go home

C Am G

I wanna go home, yeah yeah Well, I feel so broke up

D G

I wanna go [home **OR:** De dur | de dur dur | de dur | de dur dur]

[Verse 2]

G C G e3... e0 - B3 | B1 B0 C G

The first mate he got drunk and broke in the capn's trunk

Ooo... ooo-ooo | ooo ooo

D

The constable had to come and take him away...

Ooooooooooooooooo

G G7 C Em Am** ** Only for the vocal harmony.**

Sheriff John [Stone, why don't you leave me alone? Yeah yeah **OR:**

Arrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr ar ar ar]

G D G

Well, I feel so broke up, I wanna go home

Ooooooooooooooooo

[Chorus 2]

G C G

So hoist up the John B's [sail. OR: Hoist up the John B's]

C G

See how the mainsail [sets. OR: See how the mainsail]

C|G D D

Call for the captain ashore. Let me go home. Let me go home.

G G7

I wanna go home. Let me go home

C Am

Why don't you let me go [home? OR: Hoist up the John B's [sail.] OR: Hoist up the John B]

G D G

Well, I feel so broke up, I wanna go home. Let me go home.

[Verse 3]

G C G C G

The poor cook he caught the fits and threw away all my grits

D D

And then he took and he ate up all of my corn.

G G7 C Em ** Am ** Only for the vocal harmony.

Let me go [home Why don't they let me go home? OR:

Arrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr ar ar ar]

G D G

This is the worst trip I've ever been on.

[Chorus 3]

G C G

So hoist up the John B's [sail. OR: Hoist up the John B's]

C G

See how the mainsail [sets. OR: See how the mainsail]

C|G D D

Call for the captain ashore. Let me go home. Let me go home.

G G7 C Am

I wanna go home, Let me go home. Why don't you let me go home? Yeah yeah

G D G

Well, I feel so broke up, I wanna go home. Let me go home.

[Slowing down .....]

G... D... G...

Well, I feel so broke up, I wanna go home

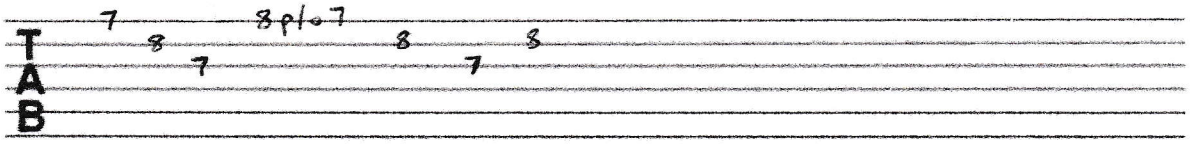
On each line, the 1st note is an upstroke

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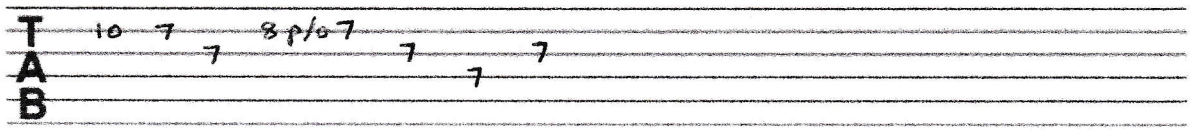
ARTIST: THE BEACH BOYS

V1.2

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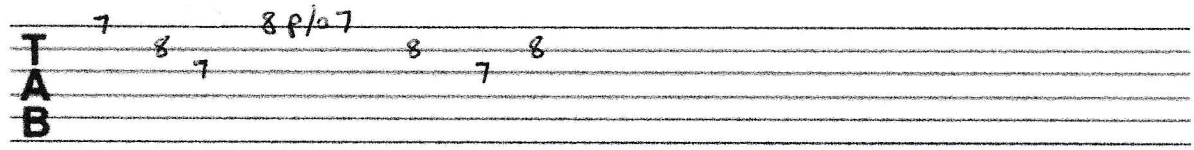
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2x



1x



1x



2x









p/o = pull off