



"THE DEVIL WENT DOWN TO GEORGIA" THE CHARLIE DANIELS BAND

As heard on **MILLION MILE REFLECTIONS** (EPIC)

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Chord diagrams for the following chords: Dm, C, Bb, A5, G, A, D5, C5, Gm, A, D5, F, Em, Am, D, Em, C, Dsus2, Cadd2. Each diagram shows the fretboard with fingerings and a numerical string-fretting code below it.

A Intro (0:00, 1:05)

Fast ♩ = 268

1 Dm C

Gtr. 2 (fiddle arranged for elec. gtr. w/dist.)

Gtr. 1 (elec. w/dist.) (repeat previous bar)

Bass

* repeat previous chord

2nd time, skip ahead to **B** 2nd Verse

6 Dm C Bb A5 G A Dm A5 C5 Dm

11 C5 A5 D5 trem. pick

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B 1st and 2nd Verses (0:15, 1:12)

(1.) devil went down to Georgia he was lookin' for a soul to steal He was in a
guess you didn't know it but I'm a fiddle player too and

(2.) devil opened up his case and he said "I'll start this show" and fire

N.C. (Dm)

Gtr. 1 substitutes Rhy. Fill 1 simile on repeats (see bar 34)

Gtr. 1

18

** piano arr. for gtr.*

Bass

Bass Fill 1

*(let ring next eight bars)
end Bass Fill 1*

bind 'cause he was way behind He was willin' to make a deal when he
if you'd care to take a dare I'll make a bet with you Now you
flew from his fingertips as he rosined up his bow And he

Gtr. 1

22

came across this young man sawin' on a fiddle and playin' it hot And the
play a pretty good fiddle boy but give the devil his due I bet a
pulled the bow across the strings and it made an evil hiss Then a

26

Gtr. 2 plays Fill 1 second time (see below)

*3rd time, skip ahead to **D** Interlude*

devil jumped up on a hickory stump and said "Boy let me tell you what I
fiddle of gold against your soul 'cause I think I'm better than you" The
band of demons joined in and it sounded somethin' like this

30

Gtr. 1

Bass

boy said "My name's Johnny and it might be a sin but I'll

D5

Gtr. 1

34

Rhy. Fill 1

Bass plays Bass Fill 1 (see bar 18)

Fill 1 (1:22)

Gtr. 2

** pick scrape*

** piano string gliss. arr. for gtr.*

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take your bet you're gonna regret 'cause I'm the best that's ever been"

38 *end Rhy. Fill 1* N.C.

Git. 1

Bass

C 1st Chorus (0:50)

Johnny rosin up your bow and play your fiddle hard 'cause

42 *light P.M.*

Bass

hell's broke loose in Georgia and the devil deals the cards And

46

Bass

if you win you get this shiny fiddle made of gold But

50 *light P.M.*

Bass

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if you lose the devil gets your soul

go back to **A** Intro

54

D Interlude (1:26)

w/half-time feel

D5

F

Em

D5

Rhy. Fig. 1

58

end Rhy. Fig. 1

* tie 1st time only

D5

F

Em

D5

Gtr. 1 plays Rhy. Fig. 1 twice (see bar 58)

Gtr. 2

P.M.

62

*w/pick and finger

** played first time only

Bass
Bass Fig. 1

end Bass Fig. 1

E The Devil's Fiddle Solo (1:41)

D5

F

Em

D5

Gtr. 1 plays Rhy. Fig. 1 three times (see bar 58)

Gtr. 2

trem. pick

66

Bass plays Bass Fig. 1 twice (see bar 62)

F

Em

D5

70

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74 *w/pick and fingers*

Chords: F, Em, Dm

Gr. 2

Bass

78

Chords: Gm, Am, Bb, C

Gr. 2

Gr. 1

Bass

(end half-time feel)

82

Chords: D5, C5, A5, D5

When the

trcm. pick

F 3rd Verse (2:02)

devil finished Johnny said "Well you're pretty good old son but
N.C.(D5)

90

Gr. 1

* piano arr. for gr.

Bass

94 sit down in that chair right there and let me show you how it's done"

Gtr. 2

G 2nd Chorus (2:09)

98 Fire on the mountain run boys run The

D Em D

Gtr. 2

Gtr. 1
Rhy. Fig. 2

Bass
Bass Fig. 2

102 devil's in the house of the rising sun

C Dm C

Gtr. 2

Gtr. 1
end Rhy. Fig. 2

Bass

106 Chicken in the bread pan pickin' out dough

D Em D

Gtr. 1 repeats Rhy. Fig. 2 (see bar 98)

Gtr. 2

Bass

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Granny does your dog bite No child no
C Dm C

110

end Bass Fig. 2

H Johnny's Fiddle Solo (2:24)

Dsus2 Cadd2 1., 2. 3.

114

end Rhy. Fig. 3

end Bass Fig. 3

A5

119

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The

123

C5 (D5)

w/ pick and finger

N.H.

pick: D

(let ring next four bars)

I 4th Verse (2:44)

devil bowed his head because he knew that he'd been beat and he
 laid that golden fiddle on the ground at Johnny's feet Johnny
 said "Devil just come on back if you ever want to try again I done
 told you once you son of a bitch I'm the best that's ever been He played

Git. 1

129 (first two times only)

(play 4 times)

J 3rd Chorus (2:57)

Fire on the mountain run boys run
 D Em D

Git. 1 plays Rhy. Fig. 2 twice (see bar 98)

Git. 2

133

Bass plays Bass Fig. 2 (see bar 98)

Devil's in the house of the rising sun
 C Dm C

The

137

chicken's in the bread pan pickin' out dough
 D Em D

141

Granny will your dog bite No child no
 C Dm C

145

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K (3:12)

Dsus2

Gr. 1 plays Rhy. Fig. 3 two and one half times (see bar 114)

1., 2.
Cadd2

149

Bass plays Bass Fig. 3 two and one half times simile (see bar 114)

L Outro (3:21)

3. N.C.
Gr. 2

153



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