

# SHIPS PASSING THROUGH THE

As recorded by Jimi Hendrix

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[A] Intro All Guitar's Tuned Down 1/2 Step

Slowly  $\text{J} = 71$  ( $\text{J} = \frac{7}{1}$ )

The musical score for the intro section consists of four staves. The top staff is for Gtr I, which starts with a power chord and then plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes. The second staff is for Gtr II, which also starts with a power chord and then plays a similar rhythmic pattern. The third staff is for a Leslie speaker, showing a continuous loop of chords. The bottom staff is for a bass guitar, which provides harmonic support with sustained notes. The music is in 4/4 time and A major (three sharps). The guitars play down-tuned strings (D, G, B, E) while the bass plays standard tuning (E, B, G, D).

The musical score for the main section consists of four staves. The top staff is for Gtr I, which continues the rhythmic pattern established in the intro. The second staff is for Gtr II, which also continues the pattern. The third staff is for a Leslie speaker, showing a continuous loop of chords. The bottom staff is for a bass guitar, which provides harmonic support with sustained notes. The music is in 4/4 time and A major (three sharps). The guitars play down-tuned strings (D, G, B, E) while the bass plays standard tuning (E, B, G, D).

Musical score and guitar tab for the beginning of the song. The score consists of two staves: a treble clef staff above and a bass clef staff below. The tab shows the strings (T, A, B) and frets (0-3) for each note. Measure 6 starts with a power chord. Measures 7-8 show a melodic line with grace notes and slurs. Measures 9-10 continue the line. Measures 11-12 end with a power chord. The tab includes string indications (T, A, B), fret numbers (0-3), and various performance markings like slurs and grace notes.

**[B] Verse**

Musical score and guitar tab for the [B] Verse section. The score consists of two staves: a treble clef staff above and a bass clef staff below. The tab shows the strings (T, A, B) and frets (0-3) for each note. Measure 9 starts with a power chord. Measures 10-11 show a melodic line with grace notes and slurs. Measures 12-13 continue the line. Measures 14-15 end with a power chord. The tab includes string indications (T, A, B), fret numbers (0-3), and performance markings like slurs and grace notes. A "let ring" instruction is present in measure 11.

11

*let ring*

T A B

sl. sl. sl.

1/4

P

13

*let ring*

T A B

sl.

H

T A B

0 3 4 H

H P H P H

15

*let ring*

T A B

sl. sl. 1/4

T A B

P H sl. sl.

17

T A B

1/4

T A B

H sl. H

T A B

12 12 sl. sl.

19

T  
A  
B

15 sl.

1/4

sl.

22

T  
A  
B

sl.

1/4

Full  
14

Musical score and tablature for guitar part 1, measures 24-25.

**Measure 24:** The score shows a treble clef, a key signature of four sharps, and a common time signature. The tablature below shows the strings (T, A, B) with fingerings: T (2, 0), A (2, 1), B (0). There is a hammer-on from the 3rd to the 4th string at the 4th fret. Slurs are indicated above the notes.

**Measure 25:** The score shows a treble clef, a key signature of four sharps, and a common time signature. The tablature shows the strings (T, A, B) with fingerings: T (2, 0), A (0, 0), B (5, 5). There is a hammer-on from the 3rd to the 4th string at the 4th fret. Slurs are indicated above the notes.

**Measure 26:** The score shows a treble clef, a key signature of four sharps, and a common time signature. The tablature shows the strings (T, A, B) with fingerings: T (12), A (15), B (12). There is a hammer-on from the 3rd to the 4th string at the 4th fret. Slurs are indicated above the notes.

**C** Verse

Musical score and tablature for guitar part 2, measures 26-27.

**Measure 26:** The score shows a treble clef, a key signature of four sharps, and a common time signature. The tablature shows the strings (T, A, B) with fingerings: T (4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4), A (4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4), B (4). There is a hammer-on from the 3rd to the 4th string at the 4th fret. Slurs are indicated above the notes.

**Measure 27:** The score shows a treble clef, a key signature of four sharps, and a common time signature. The tablature shows the strings (T, A, B) with fingerings: T (9, 9, 9, 9, 9, 14, 14, 14, 15, 15, 16), A (9, 9, 9, 9, 9, 14, 14, 14, 15, 15, 16), B (9, 9, 9, 9, 9, 14, 14, 14, 15, 15, 16). There is a hammer-on from the 3rd to the 4th string at the 4th fret. Slurs are indicated above the notes.

**Measure 28:** The score shows a treble clef, a key signature of four sharps, and a common time signature. The tablature shows the strings (T, A, B) with fingerings: T (12), A (14, 12), B (14). There is a hammer-on from the 3rd to the 4th string at the 4th fret. Slurs are indicated above the notes.

P

28

T A B

2 0 2 1 4 7 9 9 7 9 7 2 0 2 1 7 7 9 9 7  
0 3 4 5 sl. P 0 3 4 5 5 5 7 sl.

T A B

2 0 2 0 1 2 0 2 1 7 7 9 9 7  
0 1 5 sl. 16 0 3 4 5 5 7 sl.

30

T A B

2 4 4 4 4 4 3 4 1 6 6 7 7 9 9 12 12 14 15 15 16  
2 4 4 4 4 3 4 6 6 7 7 9 9 12 12 14 15 15 16 14  
sl. sl. sl. sl. sl.

T A B

3 5 7 5 5 0 12 10 0  
sl.

32

T A B

2 0 2 0 2 1 0 4 4 7 9 9 2 0 0 3 5 5 sl. 2 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 0 3 4 H

T A B

2 0 2 0 2 0 2 1 0 0 2 2 0 1 0 0 0 2 0 2 0 3 4 sl.

34

T A B

0 2 0 1 0 2 3 0 2 2 4 2 0 2 0 3 3 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 14 sl.

T A B

8 8 15 8 8 (8) (8) sl. 0 sl. sl. sl.

37

T A B

2 0 | 14 12 0 0 | 13 14 12 13 | 0 0  
2 0 | 14 12 0 0 | 14 | 0 0  
0 3 4 | 0 0 3 4 4 4 | sl. H | 0 0

1/4

T A B

2 0 | 2 0 | 0 0 3 4 0 2 | 0 0 3 4 0  
2 1 | 2 1 | 0 0 3 4 0 2 | 0 0 3 4 0  
0 3 4 | 0 0 5 7 | H | sl. sl.

40

T A B

14 12 14 14 12 14 | 12 14 12 14 | 0 14 12 14 14 12 14 12 14 12 14 | 14  
14 12 14 14 12 14 | 12 14 12 14 | 0 14 12 14 14 12 14 12 14 12 14 | 14  
0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0

T A B

- | - | - | -  
7 5 7 7 7 5 7 | 0 | - | -  
- | - | - | -  
3 | - | - | -

42

T A B

14 12 14 14 12 14 12 12 14 12 14 14 12 14 14 12 14 13 12 14 13 14 sl.

44

T A B

12 14 12 14 12 14 12 14 12 14 12 14 12 14 12 14 15 15 15 14 14 14 14 12 14 12 14 14 12 14 P P

P.M.-----

T A B

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 5 7 7 5 7 7 7 5 7 x x x x x x x x 0

46

T A B

14 12 14 14 12 14 14 14 12 14 0 0 14 12 14 12 14 14 12 14 0 0 14 12 14 0 0 12 14 0

H H P P

T A B

0 7 5 7 0 7 5 7 7 0 7 x 7 7 5 7 7 5 7 7 5 7 7 7 5 7 7 7 5 7 0

H P

48

Gtr III

T A B

14 12

Gtr I

f

T A B

0 0 3 2 4 4 0 0 3 4 0 0 2 1 2 3 3 3 4 3 4 5 5 4 6 6 7

H sl.

**D** Guitar Solo

*8va-----*

50

*mf*

T 2 0  
A 2 0  
B 0 3 4

0 0 3 4 sl. 0 3 4 0 3 4

sl.

*8va-----*

52

T 17 17 17  
A 2 0 11  
B 0 3 4

sl. 15 14 12 0 14 14 12 0 12 14 14 12

*sl.*

T 2 0  
A 2 1  
B 0 3 4

0 0 5 5 2 0 4 5 4 4 4 5

*sl.*

8va      8va-----|

T A B  
14 7 (7) 9 9 19  
sl. 15 10 5 (5) 7 3 4 5 5 (5) 7  
sl. sl. sl. H sl. sl.

T A B  
2 0 0 0 7 9 7 2 1 4 2 0 0 7 9 7 2 1 1 4 0 0 7 9 7  
3 4 5 sl. 0 3 4 H sl. sl.

## [E] Verse

56 let ring -----|

T A B  
7 4 7 7 7 7 7 9 9 14 14 14  
x x x x x x 5 2 5 5 5 5 7 7 7 11 11 11 11 11 11  
0 0 5 2 5 sl. 0 6 5 7 7 7 9 9 12 12 12 12 12 12  
sl. sl. sl. sl. sl. sl.

fflet ring -----| let ring -----|

T A B  
4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 9 9 9 9 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14  
2 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 1 9 9 9 (9) 14 14 14 14 14 (14) 16 16 16 16  
sl. sl.

58

T A B

0 15 (15) 15 15 15 (15) 15 15 14 (14) 12 14

T A B

2 2 2 1 0 4 0 7 9 9 7 2 0 0 7 7 7 7 9 9 0

2 2 2 0 5 5 0 5 5 5 5 0 5 5 5 5 7 7 7 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

0 3 sl. sl. 0 3 sl. 0 3 sl. sl. sl.

60

T A B

(14) 10 5 6 7

sl.

T A B

6 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 3 2 2 2 9 9 9 9 8 7 14 14 14 14 15 16

2 4 4 4 4 4 4 5 2 2 9 9 9 9 8 7 14 14 14 14 15 16

sl. sl. sl. sl.

62

Trem Bar  
N.H.

Trem Bar  
1

1 1/2

1/4 let ring

65

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Full

Full

Full

T

A

B

T

A

B

68

T 16 14 14 12(12) 12 15 14 (14) 14 12 14 12 0 14 14 14 14 14 12 14

A 14 12 12 15 14 14 12 14 12 14 14 12 0 14 14 14 14 14 14

B P P H

T 2 2 0 7 7 7 7 0 2 1 0 0 7 7 7 0 0 7 5 5 5

A 2 2 0 5 5 5 5 0 0 0 0 7 5 5 5 0 0 7 5 5 5

B 0 3 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 4 5 5 5 0 0 5 5 5 5

sl.

  

70

T 12 15 12 15 14 12 0 12 14 12 14 14 14 14 (14) 12 12 14 12 12 12 12 12 14 12

A 12 15 12 15 14 12 0 12 14 12 14 12 14 14 14 (14) 12 12 14 12 12 12 12 12 14 12

B P P P H P

T 2 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 7 9 (9) 2 1 2 2 0 0 9 9 9 10

A 2 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 1 2 2 0 0 7 9 (9) 2 1 2 2 0 0 9 9 9 10

B 0 3 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 4 5 5 5 0 0 7 7 7 7 0 0 9 9 9 10

sl. H sl. sl.

72

T 12 14 12 14 14 12 14 12 14 12 14 12 14 12 14 12 12 15 12 12 12

A

B

T 2 2 0 0 0

A 2 1 7 7 9 7 9

B 0 2 5 5 5 7 7 7 5 7 5 7

0 sl.

73

8va- 8va- 8va-----

T 15 12 15 12 15 12 15 12 15 12 15 15 12 15 12 15 15 17 17 17 15 17 17 17 17 17 17

A

B

T 2 2 0 0 7 7 5 5 5 7 7 7 5 5 5 5 5 2 2 0 4 4 5 5 0 6

A 2 1 0 5 5 5 7 7 5 7 7 5 7 5 7 5 5 5 5 5 3 3 0 4 4 0

B 0 0 sl. sl. 0

8va-----

75

T A B T A B T A B T A B

P H P PP P sl. sl.

77

T A B T A B T A B T A B

sl.

78

8va-----1

Full Full Full Full Full Full Full Full Full  
14 15 14 15 14 15 14 15 14 15 14 15 14 15 14 15 14 15 14 15 14 15 14 15 12  
T A B  
Pick Scrape Gtr IV  
sl. sl. sl.

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

8va-----1

**F** Free Time

79

8va-----1

Pick Scrape  
Gtr IV Gtr I Full Full 1/4 ~ ~ ~ Full  
12 17 17 15 17 15 17 17 17 17 17 17 17 17  
T A B  
sl. sl. sl. sl. 0 3 4 0 0  
sl. 0 3 4 0 0 || (17)

Gtr II 1/4  
0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
7 7 7 7 9 2 1 0 2 1 0 0 0 0 0 0  
0 3 4 5 5 0 3 4 5 5 0 0 0 0 0 0  
H

*8va*

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1

82

Trem Bar

1

(17) (17)

1/2 ~

T A B T A B

5 7 5 5 7 5 7

2 0 0 0 0 0 0

15 0 3 4 5 5 10

sl. H sl.

Full 1/2 Full 1/2 Full 1/2 Full

15 15 15 15 15 15 15

15 15 15 15 15 15 15

15 15 15 15 15 15 15

12 15 15 15 15 15 15

19 0 21 0 P 14 12

sl. sl. P sl. 0

let ring

T A B T A B

2 0 0 0 0 0 0

2 1 0 4 4 4 4

0 3 3 3 3 3 3

3 4 5 5 H 0

87

T 15 15 15 Full 15 15 15 15  
A 14 12 14 15 15 15 15  
B 7 16 0 10 10 14 12 (15)

sl.

89

T 2 0 0 4 4 4 4 2 0 0 0 5 7 9 12 14 12  
A 0 3 4 5 5 5 0 0 2 2 0 5 7 10 12 10 0  
B 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

sl.

T 15 15 15 Full 15 15 15 15 (15) 15 15 15 15  
A 0 P  
B 0

T 0 14 14 12 12 12 14 14 12 14 14 0  
A 14 12 14 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
B 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

sl.

**G Free Time**

8va-----| 8va-----| 8va-----|

**T A B**

91

Full Full Full 1/2

P sl. sl. P sl.

92

N.C. 8va-----| 8va-----| 8va-----|

Full

1/2

T A B

93

Gtr III Full

H P H H P H H sl. H H P P

T A B

94

1/2

T A B

95

let ring 1/4 1/2 1/4

T A B

96

H H P P P

8va-----

97

Full

Gtr IV  
PickScrape

T A B

13 12 12 3 13 12 12 12 12 15 12 16 16 20 x 18 16 0 0 0 0 4 4

sl. P sl. sl.

99

Gtr III

T A B

12 12 12 12 14 14 14 16 14 16 14 12 14 12 11 12 11 14 14 12 14

sl. sl. H P sl. H P P H P H

100

8va----- 1 8va-----

T A B

0 14 12 12 11 12 13 14 14 12 14 12 12 (12) 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

P sl. H H H sl. sl. P

102

Full Full 1/2 Trem Bar Gradual Accent 6 1

T A B

17 17 17 17 15 17 17 17 (17) 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Full Full 1/2 Trem Bar Gradual Accent 6 1

T A B

17 17 17 17 15 17 17 17 (17) 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

105

Trem Bar 1/2 A.H. Trem Bar N.H.

T A B

(0) (0) (0) sl.