

Basic Variations of the 12 Bar Blues

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D7

T	0	X	0	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X
A	2	X	2	X	1	X	1	X	1	X	1	X
B	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X

A7 **E7**

T	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X
A	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X
B	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X

D7 **A7** **A7**

T	2	X	2	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X
A	1	X	1	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X
B	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X

Variation 2

A7

T	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X
A	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X
B	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X

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29 30 31

T	0	X	0	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X
A	2	X	2	X	1	X	1	X	1	X	1	X
B	0	X	0	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X
B	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X

A7 E7

32 33 34

T	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X
A	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X
B	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X
B	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X

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35 36 37 38

T	2	X	2	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X
A	1	X	1	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X
B	2	X	2	X	0	X	0	X	1	X	1	X
B	0	X	0	X	2	X	2	X	0	X	0	X

Variation 3

A7 D7 A7

39 40 41

T	0	X	0	X	2	X	2	X	0	X	0	X
A	2	X	2	X	1	X	1	X	2	X	2	X
B	0	X	0	X	2	X	2	X	0	X	0	X
B	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	X

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42 43 44

T 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2

A 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0

B 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2

A7 E7

45 46 47

T 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2

A 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0

B 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2

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48 49 50 51

T 2 1 0 2 1 0 2 1 0 2 1 0

A 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0

B 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2