In Your Eyes

Words & Music: Peter Gabriel

This is one of two songs inspired by Rosanna Arquette (the other being, of course, "Rosanna" by Toto). A "Strum It!" arrangement of this is in the August 2001 issue of <u>Guitar One</u>.

INTRO & MAIN VAMP:

Bm D G D [The D is a brief transition chord between Bm & G]

Bm D G D Bm [etc.]

Love---, I get so lost, sometimes.

Days pass and this emptiness fills my heart.

When I want to run away, I drive off in my car.

But whichever way I go, I come back to the place you are.

PRE-CHORUS:

A D G D [etc.]

And all my instincts, they return & the grand façade so soon will burn. Without a noise, without my pride, I reach out from the inside.

CHORUS:

E A Γetc.7

In your eyes - the light, the heat.

In your eyes, I am complete.

In your eyes, I see the doorway to a thousand churches.

In your eyes, the resolution of all the fruitless searches.

In your eyes, I see the light and the heat.

In your eyes, oh, I want to be that complete.

I want to touch the light, the heat I see in your eyes.

Love, I don't like to see so much pain.

So much wasted and this moment keeps slipping away.

I get so tired of working so hard for our survival.

I look to the time with you to keep me awake and alive.

PRE-CHORUS:

CHORUS:

OUTRO:

In your eyes, in your eyes, in your eyes, In your eyes, in your eyes.

1. Scott yanoff version:

2. RClements version:

This beautiful song from the 1986 'So' album is a classic. I have not been able to find good sheet music for a guitar version of the tune, so I did it myself. These simplified chords are not the ones David Sanctious (Peter's keyboard player; sp?) plays, but they sound good solo and with the record. Your comments, flames, etc. are invited. This is my first TAB post so be kind:)

Performace notes: Play with your fingers if you can; it makes the arpeggios easier. Obviously, listen to the recorded version. The rhythms are fairly simple but some of the chord positions are, um, original. The verses are best understood in phrases that last 8 counts as follows:

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chord 1 5 4 4 3 lasts 3 counts chord 2 0 2 2 3 lasts 1 count chord 3 2 0 0 3 lasts 3 counts chord 4 0 x x 0 0 lasts 1 count ..repeat until chorus
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Note: The intro is same as the verses but the very first bar omits chord 1.

The chorus has two melodic sections, a high one and a lower one which are separated by a bridge.

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Comes in with the lyrics "All my instincts.. they return..." etc. (repeats several
times)
         pattern la:
                                    pattern 1b:
   2nd finger bars 14th fret... 1st finger on 12th, 2nd bars G&B
e|-----|
B|----14-15-14----15-14---15-14---14---15-14----15-14---15-14---15-14---15-14---15-14---15-14---15-14---15-14---15-14----15-14---15-14----15-14----15-14----15-14----15-14----15-14----
A | ------
Note to the digitally adventuresome: Patterns 1a & b can be played with some diffculty
on the 9th & 10th frets using the high e string, but I found it awkward to make
pattern 1b work there.
Bridge:
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 vocals are the swelling "oooooooo--woh-woh" phrases
  e | ----- |
  B | ----- |
                    (repeat 3-4x)
  G | --7--6--5-----
  D \mid --7-7-7-7----- recommend anchoring 3rd finger on 7th fret
  A | --0--0-----
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Second (main) section of chorus (E major chord):

(vocals are "In your eyes... the light... the heat..." etc.) (repeats several times)

That's pretty much the whole song :-)

E | ----- |

First section (A major chord):

Other Versions

Several Live versions of the song have an added interlude during the 2nd part of the chorus where it gets quiet and Peter does a vocal that goes (approx) "Accepting all I've done and said/ I want to stand and stare again/ till there's nothing left out/ wo-wo-wo/ it remains there in your eyes/whatever comes and goes/wo-oh its in your eyes" -> back to second part of chorus w/ full band. There seem to be two quiet chords that alternate for this section as follows: (basically pattern 2 with added E on A string, 1st finger suggested.
