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Johnson recorded this tune in the key of F#. His guitar is standard tuning, and capoed at the second fret. The transcription is in E to match his fingerings.

Introduction

/ = denotes slide

* = denotes bending one quarter step

	E6/C#	C(no 5th)	E7/B	B7/F#
E	-12--12--12---	-12-12-12-12-12-12-12-9/10-	-10--0-----	-----0-----
B	-----	-----	-----	-----
G	-----	-----	-9-----2-----2---	-----
D	-----	-11-----10---10---9--	-9--0--1-----1-----	-----
A	-----	-----	-----2-----2-----	-----
E	-----	-----	-----2-----2-----2-	-----

Oh - ah. Baby don't you want to go?

E E6 E7/5 E7/6 A5 A6 A7 A6 E E6 E5 E6

E	-----	-----	-----0-----	-----
B	-----0-----	-----	-----	-----
G	-0-1-----0-	-2-----0-	-0-1-----0-0-	-----
D	-----0--0--	-2--4--5--4--	-----	-----
A	-----4--2-4--	-0-0-0-0-0-0-	-2--4-2-2-4--	-----
E	-----0-0--0-0--	-----	-0--0-0-0-0-	-----

Oh - oh.

Baby don't you want to go?

E E6 E5 E6 A5 A6 A7 A6 A7 A6 A7 A6

E	-----0-----	-----	-----0-----	-----
B	-----	-----	-----	-----
G	-0-1-----0-	-2-----0-	-0-1-----0-0-	-----
D	-----0-----	-2--4--5-5-4--	-----	-----
A	-----2--2-4-4-2-2-4--	-0-0-0-0-0-0-	-2--4-2-2-4--	-----
E	-----0--0-0-0-0-0--	-----	-0--0-0-0-0-	-----

Back to the land

E E6 E7 E6 E E6 E5 E6

E	-----0-----	-----0-----
B	-----	-----
G	-0-1-----0-0-	-0-1-----
D	-----0-----	-----
A	-----2--4--2--4--4--	-----2--4-4-2-2-4--
E	-----0--0-0-0-0-0--	-----0-0-0-0-0-2--

of California to my sweet home

Chicago

B/F# B N.C. E5 E7 Edim7 Am

E	-----	--7*--7*7*7*-----0-	-----0--0-0--0-
B	-----0-----	--8*-8*-8*-8*-8*--0-2---	-----3--2--1-----
G	-----0-----	-----	-----2-4-----3--2-0-1-
D	-1-----1-----1-----	-----	-----
A	-2-----2-----2-----2-----	-----	-----2-----
E	-2-----2-----	-----	-----0-----

E B7

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E-----|
B-----0--0---0-----0-----|
G-----2--2---2---2---0---|
D---2---1--1-----1---1-----|
A---2---2-----2-----2-----|
E---0---2-----|

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Ending

N.C. E5/B E7 E6 C(no 5th) E5/B E7

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E-----0--12---|--12-12---12-12-12-12-12--|--12-----10--10--|
B-----|-----12-----|-----9---|
G-----|-----|-----0-----9---|
D---7/9-----|--12-----11-11-----10-10--|--9-----9-----|
A-----|-----|-----|
E-----|-----|-----|

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Oh - baby, don't you want to go?
Oh - baby, don't you want to go?
Back to the land of California - to my sweet home Chicago.

Oh - baby, don't you want to go?
Oh - baby, don't you want to go?
Back to the land of California - to my sweet home Chicago.

Now one and one is two - two and two is four.
I'm heavy loaded baby - I'm booked I got to go.
Cryin baby - honey don't you want to go?
Back to the land of California - to my sweet home Chicago.

Now two and two is four - four and two is six.
You goin keep on monkeying round here friend boy.
You goin get your business all in a trick, but I'm cryin.
Baby - honey, don't you want to go?
Back to the land of California - to my sweet home Chicago.

Now six and two is eight - eight and two is ten,
Friend boy she trick you one time, she sure goin do it again.
But I'm cryin, hey, hey - baby don't you want to go?
To the land of California, to my sweet home Chicago.

I'm goin to California - from there to Des Moines, Iowa.
Somebody will tell me that you need my help someday, cryin.
Hey, hey - baby, don't you want to go?
Back to the land of California - to my sweet home Chicago.