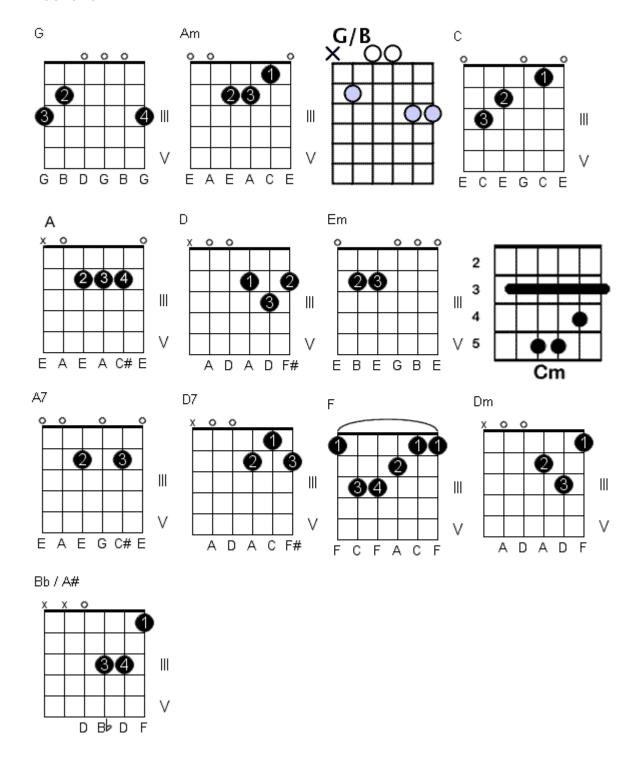
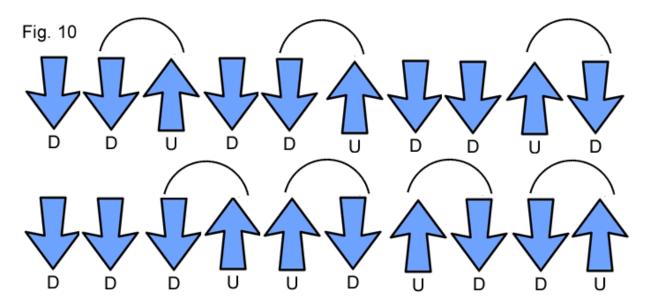
"Blackbird"



Strumming Pattern:



Performance Notes:

Don't be afraid of this song. It feels very daunting at first, but it's because of the timing of the song. All you have to do is follow VERY closely with the chord changes and the lyrics provided. One particular note is that the G/B is a VERY quick change, so if you can't quite sound out the B note within that added chord, it's ok. Simply strum the G/B chord as if it were a G. You WILL notice a small difference, but it isn't detrimental to the song in essence. The original recording was obviously fingerstyle, and the Cm on the "All you life" should NOT be fully strummed. Try your best to hit the highest strings (G, B, e) to make this chord sound more like the change in the original.

The 'fill option' can be applied anywhere in the song where you need a break from the chord changes. The fill itself follows the same strumming pattern, but the chords change quicker than the theme. That's why I only included it once for this lesson. If you aren't comfortable with this fill, just omit it and hold the G from the previous progression.

The last thing that needs to be mentioned is the Bridge. These chords change VERY quickly. You will play these chords each no more than two times in order to keep the song together. If you aren't able to do that, play each chord only once and then move RIGHT back into the next chord.

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Verse
             G/B G
Blackbird singing in the dead of night
C A D
Take these broken wings and learn to fly
Chorus
D C Cm
All your life
G/B A7
You were only waiting for this moment to arise
(Fill optional) C G A D G
Verse
            G/B G
Blackbird singing in the dead of night
Take these sunken eyes and learn to see
Chorus
D C Cm
All your life
G/B A7
                          D7
You were only waiting for this moment to be free
Bridge
F C Dm C Bb C Black-bird, Fly (x2)
       A7 D7
Into the light of the dark black night
(G) Am G
Verse
           G/B G
G Am
Blackbird singing in the dead of night
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Chorus

Take these broken wings and learn to fly

D C Cm All your life

G A D7 G You were only waiting for this moment to arise C A D7 G You were only waiting for this moment to arise C A You were only waiting for this moment to arise C A You were only waiting for this moment to arise