



JoniMitchell.com Transcription for Guitar

# Hunter

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GGDGBD, 'Joni' Tuning: x(12)7543, Capo 1

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Song: Hunter (Blue sessions)  
Artist: Joni Mitchell  
Composer: Joni Mitchell  
Album: Blue 50 (Demos and Outtakes)

To hear the album track, copy and paste this link:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kGkfCHxw--I>

OPEN G TUNING: G-G-D-G-B-D

De-tune 1st string DOWN to D  
2nd, 3rd and 4th strings all remain the same as in standard tuning  
De-tune 5th DOWN to G (an octave below 4th string)  
Tune 6th UP to G (also an octave below 4th string)

CAPO: 1st fret (Will then sound in the recorded key of Ab)

NOTE: For tablature on the Intro Riff, and info on a live version, see the last page. Slide up from the Gsus2 into the higher G chord, and also slide into the A and E barre chords.

Chord shapes in the text below:

G	= 000000	G *	= 000430	E	= x77777
C/G	= 002010	A	= x22222	Gmaj7	= 000434
Gsus2	= 000210	D	= x55555	Am/G	= 000212

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[Intro]

G	C/G	Gsus2 G*	Gsus2	G	C/G
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G	C/G	Gsus2 G*	Gsus2	G C/G G	
/ / / /   /__/ / / /   /__/ / / /   / / / /					

[Verse 1]

G C/G  
 I was alone and sick - ly,  
 Gsus2 G \* Gsus2 G C/G G  
 It was a quart - er of a moonlit night,  
 G C/G G C/G  
 I heard him cry through my window shade,  
 G \* Gsus2 G C/G G  
 And it filled me so full of ...fright-----,  
 A G D  
 But I could not turn my back on him,  
 G E D G  
 I put on the backporch light,  
 C/G G C/G G C/G G \* Gsus2  
 Can I help you, said the Good Sa - mari - tan-----,  
 C/G G C/G G C/G G  
 Can I help you, said the Good Sa - mari - tan

G C/G Gsus2 G\* Gsus2 G C/G  
 | / / / / | /\_\_/ / / / | /\_\_/ / / / | / / / / |  
 G C/G Gsus2 G\* Gsus2 G C/G G  
 | / / / / | /\_\_/ / / / | /\_\_/ / / / | / / / / |

[Verse 2]

G C/G  
 I brought him bread and a blank - et,  
 Gsus2 G \* Gsus2 G C/G G  
 But I told him, "You can't come in here,  
 G C/G G C/G  
 And you can sleep outside in the tool shed,  
 G \* Gsus2 G C/G G  
 Though a little rain comes in there!"  
 A G D  
 "Well, I don't know you, you're a stranger to me,  
 G E D G  
 No, I don't know where you've been,  
 C/G G C/G G C/G G \* Gsus2  
 You can't come in here!""", said the keeper of the inn-----,"  
 C/G G C/G G C/G G  
 I don't want you in here!, said the keeper of ....the inn

G C/G Gsus2 G\* Gsus2 G C/G  
 | / / / / | /\_\_/ / / / | /\_\_/ / / / | / / / / |  
 G C/G Gsus2 G\* Gsus2 G C/G G  
 | / / / / | /\_\_/ / / / | /\_\_/ / / / | / / / / |

[Verse 3]

G C/G  
 But I couldn't sleep for the think - ing,  
 Gsus2 G \* Gsus2 G C/G G  
 You know, the night got so ...in - sane,  
 G C/G G C/G  
 And I thought, maybe he was an angel,  
 G \* Gsus2 G C/G G  
 And I left him out in the rain-----,  
 A G D  
 Oh, and what if he was The Devil?  
 G E D G  
 He'll be coming after me a - gain,  
 C/G G C/G G C/G G \* Gsus2  
 But when I woke in the wear - y morning he was gone-----,  
 C/G G C/G G C/G G  
 When I woke in the wear - y morning he was ...gone

G C/G Gsus2 G\* Gsus2 G C/G  
 | / / / / | /\_\_ / / / | /\_\_ / / / | / / / / |

[Verse 4]

A G D  
 I thought maybe he was an angel,  
 G E D G C/G G  
 And I left him out in the rain-----,  
 A G D  
 Oh, and what if he was a devil?  
 G E D G  
 He'll be coming after me a - gain!  
 C/G G C/G G C/G G \* Gsus2  
 When I woke in the wear - y morning he was ...gone-----,  
 Gmaj7 Am/G Gmaj7 Am/G  
 He was gone-----, he was gone, he was gone, he was gone,  
 C/G  
 He was gone when I woke in the morning,  
 G C/G Gsus2 G\* Gsus2 G C/G  
 He was gone-----!

G C/G Gsus2 G\* Gsus2 G C/G G  
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[Intro Riff]

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      G              C/G              Gsus2 G *              Gsus2  G C/G
D |--0---0-0-0--|--0-----0--0-0--|--0--0--0--0-0--0--|--0-----0--0--|
B |--0---0-0-0--|--0-h1-1--1-1--|--1-/3--3--3-3-\1--|--0-h1-1--1--|
G |--0---0-0-0--|--0-----0--0-0--|--2-/4--4--4-4-\3--|--0-----0--0--|
D |--0-----0--|--0-h2-2--2-2--|--0--0--0--0-0--0--|--0-h2-2--2--|
G |--0-----0--|--0-----0-----|--0-----0-0-----|--0-----0--0--|
G |--0-----0--|--0-----0-----|--0-----0-0-----|--0-----0--0--|
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      G              C/G              Gsus2 G *              Gsus2  G C/G  G
D |--0-0-0-0-0--|--0-----0--0-0--|--0--0--0--0-0--0--|--0-----0--0--|
B |--0-0-0-0-0--|--0-h1-1--1-1--|--1-/3--3--3-3-\1--|--0-h1-1--0--|
G |--0-0-0-0-0--|--0-----0--0-0--|--2-/4--4--4-4-\3--|--0-----0--0--|
D |--0-----0--|--0-h2-2--2-2--|--0--0--0--0-0--0--|--0-h2-2--0--|
G |--0-----0--|--0-----0-----|--0-----0-0-----|--0-----0--0--|
G |--0-----0--|--0-----0-----|--0-----0-0-----|--0-----0--0--|
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h = hammer-on notes    / = Slide notes up    \ = Slide notes down

For a live version, a semi-tone higher, in the key of A,  
copy and paste this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iL857v8V7u0>

CAPO: 2nd fret (Will then sound in this live key of A)