

Author-Artist: Django Reinhardt  
Title: When Day Is Done  
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Featuring one of his most inspired unaccompanied introductions, When Day Is Done is the first piece of Django's music heard in the Woody Allen movie "Sweet and Lowdown".

I have transcribed the intro and solo from the recording on the JSP boxed set. I tried to notate exactly as I had heard, including some dissonant notes in the introduction. Apart from one of the most beautiful instrumental intros ever, this piece sheds some insight into Django's incredible hearing and the ability to make every note of a phrase work.

The superlative most often applied to Django's playing is that he never made mistakes. While transcribing, I discovered some notes that I believe were not quite as intended. Applying the principle that a wrong note is a half step away from a right note, notice the number of half-step bends and trills applied.

The transcription uses standard tuning. A previous version of this transcription used a drop D tuning (some resonating notes must have sounded like low "D" to me). While drop D tuning is a creative option for this piece, this version is in standard tuning for accuracy.

There is some ongoing academic debate as to whether the first eight octave intervals were played on the second and fifth strings (as noted), or on the third and fifth strings. I had incorrectly placed the lower octave note on the previous version, which led to the discussion. Whichever fingering you use to produce the octaves (to the right pitch, of course) is fine.

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As always, comments, corrections, gratitude and large sums of money are appreciated!

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-----1--1-----6--6-----
--3--4--6--8--6--4--3--2--2-----2--2-----6--6-----
-----0--0-----3--5--6--5--3--7--6--6--6-----
-----1--1-----5--5-----
--5--6--8--10--8--6--5--4--4-----1--3--4--3--1--5--4--4--6--6-----
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-----7--10-----
--3--5--6--5--3--/7-----7-----<7>-----
-----0--4--7-----
--1--3--4--3--1--/5-----0-----
-----2-----

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-----3--5--6--8\--6--8--10\--5--1--5--6--8--/10--\8--6--5--8\-----
-----3-----8\-----10\-----3-----8\-----
-----3-----8\-----10\-----2-----8\-----
-----5-----7\-----12\-----7\-----
--5-----
--3-----

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--3--3-----3--5--6 5h6p5--3--4--5--3h5p3-----
--4--3--2h3p2-----4-----
-----5--2-----
-----5--1-----
-----3--0-----
-----2h3p2-----

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-----1--1-----8--8--6--6-----
--3--4--6--8--6--4--3--2--2-----2--2-----8--8--6--6-----
-----0--0-----3--5--6--5--3--7--6--6--8--8--6--6-----
-----1--1-----7--7--5--5-----
--5--6--8--10--8--6--5--4--4-----1--3--4--3--1--5--4--4--8--8--6--6-----
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-----7--10-----
--3--5--6--5--3--7-----7-----<7>-----
-----0--4--7-----
--1--3--4--3--1--5-----0-----
-----2-----

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-----3--5--6--8--6--8--10\--5--1--5--6--8--6h8p6--8--3--3-----
-----3-----8-----10\-----3-----4--4--3--2--1--0-----
-----3-----8-----10\-----2-----3--2--1--0-----
-----5-----7-----12\-----4--3--2--1--0-----
--5-----
--3-----

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--3--5--6--8--7--5h6p5--3--5--3-----
-----4-----
-----5--2-----
-----5--1-----0-----
-----3--0-----
-----3--2h3p2-----

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-----7-/10-----  
-----8-8-----8-----7-7-7---6b(7r)-5-----3-----5h7p5\4-5  
7-7-----7-----5r2-----4---1-----5-----  
-----4-----  
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-----7---7--10--7-----7-10-/14-10-----  
-6b(7r)-4b(5)- 4b(5)-- 4b(5)--7---7-----7-----7-----12---  
-----7-----7-----11  
-----9-----9-----  
-----9-----

-----13--12--10--7-----  
10--8-8-10b(12r)---10---12-----9-----9b(11r)-9(11r)-9b(11r)--  
-----13-----10-10--9-----9-----  
-----12-----

-----10--/15-12--/13--9-12-10-----10-13--12--  
8-----8-7h8p7-----7---11-----12-11-10-9--12-----  
-----9-----7-----  
-10-----0-8-----

-----/14--12-----  
--13-12-11-10-----15--11-----  
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-----14-----  
--/12-12-12-12-11-11-11-11-11-11h12p11\10-11---11---10-----  
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-----12--12-10p9-9p8--7--10-8-----5-----12-17~\~\~\~  
-----10-----5-----13-----  
10-10h11p10-9-10-10-----9-5--4-5-----  
-----7-----  
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~12b/--14b/---10h12p10-9-10-11-12-----  
-----8--10--10//13-13-12---7-----  
-----9--11-----8-----  
-----9-----  
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-0-----  
-4--4--6b//--2-2h4p2-1-2---4b/---0-0h2p0---0-3b/--3b/--3b/-----  
-----4-----  
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-----7--10-----5-5-6-6-----  
-----7-----5-5--5-5-6-6--5-5-6-7-7-----  
-4-4-4/5/7-7-7--8--8---/9-----4-4--5-5-6-6--4-4-5-5-5-----  
-----5-5--4-4-5-5--5-5-6-7-7-----  
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## Grilles

<b>G</b>	<b>F#7</b>	<b>Am</b>	<b>E7</b>	<b>Am</b>	<b>D7</b>	<b>D7</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>G</b>		
<b>G7</b>	<b>Bm7b5</b>	<b>E7</b>	<b>A7</b>	<b>A7</b>	<b>D7</b>	<b>D7</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>Go</b>	<b>Am</b>	<b>D7</b>
<b>G</b>	<b>F#7</b>	<b>Am</b>	<b>E7</b>	<b>Am</b>	<b>D7</b>	<b>D7</b>	<b>C7</b>	<b>B7</b>	<b>B7</b>	
<b>G</b>	<b>G7</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>B7</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>Eb7</b>	<b>Am</b>	<b>D7</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>D7</b>	