

Runaway Train Tab by Soul Asylum



Tuning: E A D G B E

Title: "Runaway Train"

Artist: "Soul Asylum"

[C]
Call you up in the middle of the night
[Em/B]
Like a firefly without a light
[Am]
You were like a blow torch burning
[G]
I was a key that could use a little turning
[C]
So tired that I couldn't even sleep
[Em/B]
So many secrets I couldn't keep
[Am]
Promised myself I wouldn't weep
[G]
One more promise I couldn't keep
 [F] [G]
It seems no one can help me now
 [C]
I'm in too deep
 [Am]
There's no way out
 [F] [Em] [G]
This time I have really led myself astray

[C]
Runaway train never going back
[Em/B]
Wrong way on a one way track
[Am]
Seems like I should be getting somewhere
[G]
Somehow I'm neither here nor there

[C]
Can you help me remember how to smile
[Em/B]
Make it all somehow seem worthwhile
[Am]
How on earth did I get so jaded?
[G]
Life's mystery seems so faded
[C]
I can go where no one else can go
[Em/B]
I know what no one else knows
[Am]

Here I am just drownin' in the rain

[G]

With a ticket for a runaway train

[F]

[G]

Everything is cut and dry

[C]

[Am]

Day and night earth and sky

[F] [Em]

[G]

Some how I just dont believe it

[C]

Runaway train never going back

[Em/B]

Wrong way on a one way track

[Am]

Seems like I should be getting somewhere

[G]

Somehow I'm neither here nor there

[Interlude]

[C]

Bought a ticket for a runaway train

[Em/B]

Like a madman laughing at the rain

[Am]

A little out of touch a little insane

[G]

Its just easier than dealing with the pain

[C]

Runaway train never going back

(Runaway train)

[Em/B]

Wrong way on a one way track

[Am]

Seems like I should be getting somewhere

[G]

Somehow I'm neither here nor there

[Em/B]

Runaway train never coming back

(Runaway train)

[Am]

Runaway train tearing up the track

(Runaway train)

[Am]

Runaway train burning in my veins

(Runaway train)

[G]

Runaway but it always seems the same.

Chord Formations

C x32010

Em/B x22000

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# Am  x02210
# G   320033
# F   133211
# Em  022000
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In the following transcription, the tabulature refers to guitar 1, which is actually two guitars arranged for one.

Guitar 2 is shown as chords above the tab.(Both guitars are acoustic)

The chorus tabulature is played by a third guitar, an electric

The chord fingerings are as follows:

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C      x-3-2-0-1-0
Em/B   x-2-2-0-0-0
Am      x-0-2-2-1-0
G       3-2-0-0-3-3
F       1-3-3-2-1-1
Em      0-2-2-0-0-0
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[Intro]

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      C
e|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----0-----|
B|-----|---5---5---5---|---3---3---3---|---1---1-----|---1---1---|
G|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----0-----0---|
D|-----3-|5-----5---5---5-|5\3---3---3---3-|2-----2---2-3---|2-----|
A|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
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[Verse 1]

(Rhy.Fig.1)

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      C                               Em/B
      Call you up in the middle of the night      Like a firefly with-
e|-----|-----|-----|
B|-----1-----1-----1-|(1)-----1-----|-----1-----1-----|
G|-----0-----0-----0-0-|-----0-----|
D|-----2-----2-----2-2-|-----2-----2-----|
A|3-----3-----3-----3-|2-----2-----2-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|
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      Am
-out   a   light__   you were there like a blow - torch burn - ing
e|-----|-----|-----|
B|-----|-----1-----1-----0-|(0)---1-----|
G|(2)-----|-----2-----|-----2-----|
D|-----2-----2-----2-2-|-----2---0h2---2p0-|
A|---2-----2---0---|0-----|
E|-----|-----|
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G C
I was a key that could use a little turning So tired that I
e|-----3---3-----5-|(5)---5---3-----|-----10-|
B|-----3-----|-----3-----|-----8---8-----|
G|0-----0-----0---|---0---0-----|-----0-----|
D|-----|-----0---|10-----10---10---|
A|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|

Em/B
couldn't even sleep So many secrets I couldn't keep_
e|(10)-----|-----10-|(10)-----10---10-----|
B|-----8-----|---8---8-----|-----|
G|-----9-----|-----0-----|-----9---|
D|---10-----10---|9---9---9---|---9-----|
A|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|

Am G
Promised myself I wouldn't weep One more promise
e|---8---8-----10-|(10)---10---10---8---|---3---3---5-|
B|-----10-----|-----|---3-----3---|
G|-----9---|---9-----|0-----0---|
D|-----|-----|-----|
A|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|

F G C
I couldn't keep It seems noone can help me now I'm in too deep There's no
e|(5)---5---5-3-----|-----|---3-3-----|---3---3-----|
B|-----3---|---1-1-----|--3-----3-----|---1-----|
G|---0-----|---2-2-0h2---|0-----0---|0-----0---|
D|-----|3-----3---|-----|-----0---|
A|-----|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|-----|

Am F Em G
way out_ This time I have really led myself astray
e|---7---7-5-----|---5---6p5---|3---3-----|---3---3---5-|
B|-----5---|-----6---|--5---5-----|-----3---|
G|-----5-|5-----5-|-----4---|---0---0---|
D|7-----|-----|-----|-----|
A|-----|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|-----|

(end Rhy.Fig.1)
e|(5)---5---5-3-----|
B|-----|
G|---0---0-----0-|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|

[Chorus]

(Rhy.Fig.2)

	C		Em/B
	Runaway train never going back		Wrong way on a one way track
e	0----- (0)-----		0----- (0)-----
B	1----- (1)-----		0----- (0)-----
G	0----- (0)-----		0----- (0)-----
D	2----- (2)-----		2----- (2)-----
A	3----- (3)-----		2----- (2)-----
E	----- -----		----- -----

	Am		G
	Seems like I should be getting somewhere		Somehow I'm neither
e	0----- (0)-----		3-----
B	1----- (1)-----		3-----
G	2----- (2)-----		0-----
D	2----- (2)-----		0-----
A	0----- (0)-----		2-----
E	----- -----		3-----

(end Rhy.Fig.2)

	here	nor	there__
e	(3)----- (3)-----		3-----
B	(3)----- (3)-----		3-----
G	(0)----- (0)-----		0-----
D	(0)----- (0)-----		0-----
A	(2)----- (2)-----		2-----
E	(3)----- (3)-----		3-----

[Verse 2]

(w/Rhy.Fig.1)

	Can you help me remember how to smile		make it somehow all
e	-----10- (10)-----		-----10-
B	----8----8----- ----8-----		----8--8-----
G	-----0----- -----9-----		-----0-----
D	10-----10-----10----- ----10-----10-----		9-----9-----9-----
A	----- -----		-----
E	----- -----		-----

	seem worthwhile?		How on earth did I get so jaded?
e	(10)---10---10----- ---5---7-----7-		(7)---7---7-5-----
B	----- -----		-----5---
G	-----9--- -----		---5-----5-
D	----- 7-----7-----		-----
A	----- -----		-----
E	----- -----		-----

	Life's mystery seems so faded		I can go where noone else can go_
e	--7-----8---5- (5)---5---3-----		-----
B	---8---10----- -----3-----		---1---1----- (1)-----1-----
G	0-----0--- ---0---0-----0---		-----0---1- ---0---0-----
D	----- -----		-----2--- ---2---2-----2p0-
A	----- -----		3----- -----
E	----- -----		----- -----

I know what noone else knows Here I am just drownin' in the rain

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e|-----|-----|-----|-----|
B|---1---1-----|-----|---1---1---0-|(0)-1-----|
G|-----0---2-|(2)---0-----|-----2-----|-----2-----|
D|-----|-----2---0---|-----2---|-----2-0h2-0---|
A|2-----2---|---2-----|0-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|-----|

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with a ticket for a runaway train Everything is cut and dry_ day

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e|---3---3---5-|(5)---3---3-----|---5---6p5---|--7---8p7-----|
B|-----3-----|-----3-----|-----6---|---8-----8---|
G|0-----0---|---0-----0---|-----5/7---7-----7---|
D|-----|-----|-----|-----|
A|-----|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|-----|

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and night, earth and sky Somehow I_

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e|-----3-----|---7-----7-5-----|---5---6p5-----|
B|---3---3-----|-----5---|-----6---|
G|--5---5-----|-----5-|5-----5-|
D|5-----5---|7-----7-----|-----|
A|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|

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just don't be-lieve it

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e|---3---3-----|---3---3---5-|(5)---5---5-3-----|
B|--5---5---5-----|---3---3-----|-----3---|
G|-----4---|0-----0---|---0---0-----|
D|-----|-----|-----|
A|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|

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(Repeat chorus)

[Interlude]

(w/Rhy.Fig.1 - last 16 bars only)

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e|---8-----10-|(10)-----|-----10-|(10)---10---10---|
B|---8---8-----|-----8-----|---8---8-----|-----|
G|-----0-----|-----9-----|-----0-----|-----9-|
D|10---10---10---|---10---10-|9---9---9---|-----|
A|-----|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|-----|

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e|---8---8-----10-|(10)---10---10-8---|--7---3---5-|(5)---5---5-3-----|
B|--10-----10-----|-----|---8---3-----|-----3---|
G|9-----9---|-----|0---0---0---|---0---0-----|
D|-----|-----|-----|-----|
A|-----|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|-----|

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e|--5---6p5---|--7---8p7---|-----3-----|---7---7-5---|
B|-----6---|---8---8---|---3---3---|-----5---|
G|-----5/7---7---7---|--5---5---|-----5---|
D|-----|-----|-----5---|7-----|
A|-----|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|-----|

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e|--5---6p5---|--3---3---|--7---3---5-|(5)---5---5-3---|
B|-----6---|---5---|---8---3---|-----|
G|---5---5-|---4---4---|---0---0---|---0---0---0-|
D|-----|-----|-----|-----|
A|-----|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|-----|

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[Verse 3]

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      C                               Em/B
    Bought a ticket for a runaway train    Like a mad - man
e|-----|-----|-----|
B|-----|-----|-----|
G|0-----| (0) -----|0-----|
D|2-----| (2) -----|2-----|
A|3-----| (3) -----|2-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|

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                        Am
    laughin' at the rain    A little out of touch, little insane
e|-----|-----|-----|
B|-----|-----1-----0-|(0)-1-----1-----|
G|(0)-----|---2-----|-----2-----2---0-|
D|(2)-----|--2-----|-----2-----2---|
A|(2)-----|0-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|

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    It's just easier than dealing with the pain
e|-----3-|(3)-----3-----|
B|---3---3-----|---3---3-----|
G|-----0-----|---0---0-----|
D|---0---0---|-----0---|
A|-----|-----|
E|3-----|-----|

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(Repeat chorus twice)

[Outro]

(w/Rhy.Fig.1 - first 4 bars only, until end)

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      C                               Em/B
e|-----|-----|-----|-----|
B|---5---5---5---|---3---1---|---1---1---|-----|
G|-----|-----|-----0---2-|(2)---0-----|
D|---5---5---5-|5\3---3-2---2-0-|-----2---0---|
A|-----|-----|2-----2---|---2-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|-----|

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Am                                G
e|-----|-----3-|(3)-----3-----|
B|---0---0---1-|(1)-----|---3---3-----|---3---3-----|
G|-----2-----|-----0---0-----|-----|
D|-----2---|---0-0h2-0---|-----0---|---0---3---0---|
A|0-----|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----3-----|-----|

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C                                Em/B
e|-----10-|(10)-----|-----10-|
B|---8---8-----|---8-----|---8---8-----|
G|-----0-----|-----9-----|-----0-----|
D|10---10---10---|---10---10---|9---9---9---|
A|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|

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Am
e|(10)-----10-----|---8---8-----10-|(10)---10---10-----|
B|-----8-----8-----|-----10-----|-----10-----|
G|-----0---|9-----9---|---9-----|
D|---9-----|-----|-----|
A|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|-----|

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G                                fade out
e|---3---3---5-|(5)---5---5-3---|
B|---3---3---|-----3---|
G|-----0---|---0---0---|
D|-----|-----|
A|-----|-----|
E|-----|-----|

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| (n)  Ghost note
| h    Hammer-on
| p    Pull-off
| /    Slide up
| \    Slide down

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