

Percussive Ukulele

The Ukulele is a percussive instrument. In this workshop we'll combine picking, muted strumming and slapping your uke to give this song a unique percussive feel.

Picking Pattern for Verse

We play a 3 note arpeggio on the C chord followed by two percussive elements.

The Xs indicate percussive elements on the 3rd and 4th beats.

The count is: 1 + 2, Tap, Slap. This is repeated throughout each verse.

	1	+	2	3	4		
A	-----		3 -----	x -----	x -----		
E	-----	0 -----		x -----	x -----		
C	-- 0 -----			x -----	x -----		
G	-----			x -----	x -----		

Strum for Pre Chorus and Chorus

All down strums, 8 per bar, with the emphasis on the 2nd and 4th beats

1	+	2	+	3	+	4	+
↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓

Royals - Lorde

Verse 1

[C] I've never seen a diamond in the flesh
I cut my teeth on wedding rings in the movies
And I'm not proud of my address, in the torn up town
No post code envy

Pre Chorus

But every song is like [C] gold teeth, grey goose,
Trippin' in the bathroom, Blood stains, ball gowns, trashin' the hotel room,
[Bb] We don't care, we're driving [F] Cadillacs in our dreams
But everybody's like [C] crystal, Maybach, Diamonds on your time piece
Jet planes, islands, tigers on a gold leash
[Bb] We don't care, we aren't [F.] caught up in your love affair

Chorus

And we'll never be royals [C]... (Royals)
It don't run in our blood
That kind of [Bb] luxe just ain't for us
We crave a [F] different kind of buzz
Let me be your [C] ruler... (Ruler)
You can call me queen bee
And baby I'll [Bb] rule I'll rule..[F.] Let me live that fantasy

Verse 2

My friends and I [C] we've cracked the code.
We count our dollars on the train to the party
And everyone who knows us knows...
That we're fine with this We didn't come for money

Pre-chorus

Chorus

Bridge

[C] Oooh oooooh oooooh ohhh
[Bb.] We're bigger than we ever dreamed,
[F.] And I'm in love with being queen
[C] Oooh oooooh oooooh ohhh
[Bb.] Life is game without care,
And we aren't [F.] caught up in your love affair

Chorus

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