

Ice

Instructional Notes

This is the intro of a beautiful instrumental written by guitarist Andy Latimer and performed by his band Camel on their 1979 album "I Can See Your House From Here". Check it out!!

I wondered if this piece would work on the melodeon and it does. The original key is D minor but I have transposed it up to E minor for playing on the DG box in that key.

Because it's in E minor, many notes and chords are on the pull so use your bellows sparingly in that direction. You may need to move your bellows in quickly with the air button before a run of pull notes but try to avoid this if you can.

Lots of expression. Watch out for the "rits" - slow down and the "a tempos" - resume the normal speed after the "rit". Also, vary your volume as you play the piece. The basses sustain - bass note and chord together with lots of "lifting off" on the ends of the bars. Watch the video lesson!

When you see d*

B this is a Bm7 chord. A D major chord with a B bass.

When you see c

A this is an Am7 chord. A C major chord with an A bass.

Bar 24 - can be vocalised as "1 2 and diddley and"

Bar 27 - lots of changes of R.H. position for comfort.

Bars 31 and 32 - lovely run up, mainly on the G row, slowing down as you go.