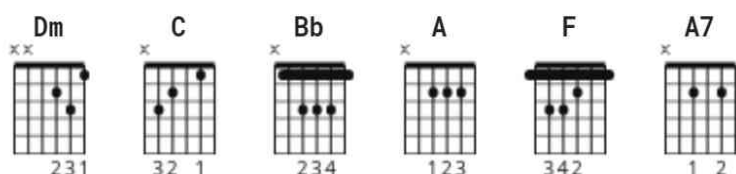# Sultans Of Swing chords by **Dire Straits**

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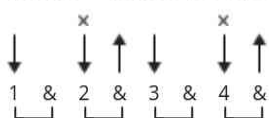
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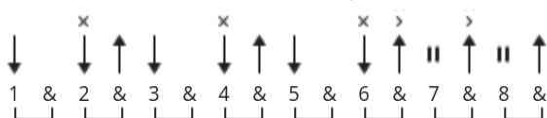## CHORDS

Dm   C   Bb   A   F   A7

STRUMMING

INTRO + VERSE 150 bpm

1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &

ENDS OF VERSES (BB - C) 150 bpm

1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 &

INSTRUMENTAL 150 bpm

1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 &
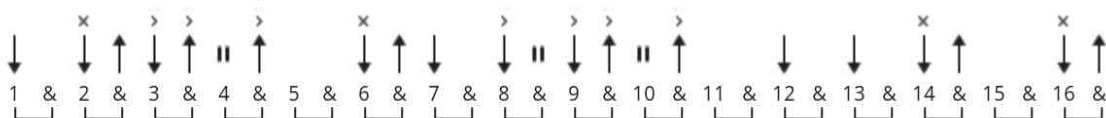
Dire Straits - Sultans Of Swing

[Intro]
| **Dm** | **Dm   C** | x4

[Verse 1]

          Dm   **C**
You get a shiver in the dark, it's raining in the
Bb   **A**
park but meantime

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Dm                                   C              Bb
   South of the river you stop and you hold
         A
everything
F                                        C
   A band is blowing Dixie double four time
Bb                                            Dm
    You feel alright when you hear that music ring
   Bb - C
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[Verse 2]
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                   Dm                       C        Bb
Well now, you step inside but you don't see too
         A
many faces
Dm                        C              Bb
   Coming in out of the rain to hear the jazz go
A
down
F                            C
  Competition in other places
Bb                                        Dm
   Uh, but the horns they blowin' that sound
Bb - C
        way on down south
Bb - C
        way on down south
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Dm
London Town

[Instrumental]
Dm - **C** - **Bb** - **C**
Dm - **C** - **Bb** - **C**

[Verse 3]
              Dm   **C** **Bb**   **A**
You check out Guitar George,   he knows all the

chords
Dm   **C**
  Mind he's strictly rhythm he doesn't want to
Bb   **A**
make it cry or sing
F   **C**
  They say an old guitar is all he can afford
Bb
   When he gets up under the lights to play his
  Dm   **Bb** - **C**
thing

[Verse 4]
Dm   **C** **Bb**   **A**
  And Harry doesn't mind if he doesn't make the

scene

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Dm                           C        Bb        A
   He's got a daytime job, he's doin' alright
F                                          C
   He can play the honky tonk like anything
Bb                                    Dm       Bb - C
     Saving it up for Friday night
                       Bb - C
with the Sultans
                         Dm
with the Sultans of Swing


[Instrumental]
Dm - C - Bb - C
Dm - C - Bb - C


[Verse 5]
        Dm                              C        Bb
Then a crowd of young boys, they're foolin' around
        A
  in the corner
Dm                                 C
   Drunk and dressed in their best brown baggies
Bb            A
and their platform soles
F                                        C
   They don't give a damn about about any trumpet


playin' band
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Bb                                           Dm        Bb - C
   It ain't what they call rock and roll
                 Bb - C
and the Sultans

                                     Dm
Yeah, the Sultans, they play Creole


[Instrumental]
Dm - C - Bb - C
...             Creole
Dm - C - Bb - C


[Lead]
| Dm       | C  Bb | A       | A        |
| Dm       | C  Bb | A       | A        |
| F        | F     | C       | C        |
| Bb       | Bb    | Dm      | Dm   Bb  |
| C        | C  Bb | C       | C        |


[Instrumental]
Dm - C - Bb - C
Dm - C - Bb - C


[Verse 6]
Dm                        C          Bb
   And then the man he steps right up to the
 A
microphone
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Dm                      C                    Bb        A      (A7
   And says at last just as the time bell ring
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F                      C
  Goodnight, now it's time to go home
Bb                                      Dm      Bb
   Then he makes it fast with one more thing
 - C


                   Bb - C
We are the Sultans
                        Dm
We are the Sultans of Swing

[Instrumental]
Dm - C - Bb - C
Dm - C - Bb - C

[Outro Solo]
Dm - C - Bb - C
(repeat and fade, approx x7)
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