

Apeman Chords by The Kinks

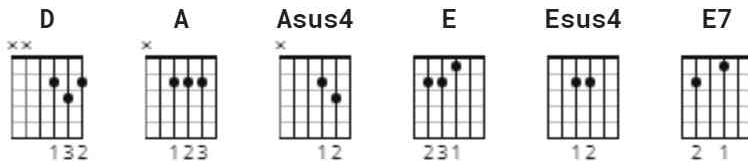
Description: Tablature of main riffs, all lyrics with accompanying chords, full chord legend.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aRHqs8SffDo>.

Difficulty: beginner

Tuning: E A D G B E

Key: E

CHORDS



Song: Apeman

Artist: The Kinks

Composer: Ray Davies

Album: Lola versus Powerman and The Moneygoround Part One

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To hear the song, copy and paste this link:

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D = xx0232	A = x02220	Asus4 = x02230
E = 022100	Esus4 = 022200	E7 = 022130

/ = slide up h = hammer-on N.C. = No chords

The chords in brackets are only implied, the riff is still a much better option. If played as full chords the A should be a very quick passing chord (it's more an A7, as the riff is a G and E note together, but an A chord does sound better) Just go straight to the E chord and skip that A if that chord change is a bit quick for you.

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[Intro]

	(D)	(A)(E)	D	E	A
e	---2--2---2--2---2---0--4---	---2---0--0---0---			
B	-----	---3---0--0---2---			
G	---2--2---2--2---2---0--4---	---2---1--1---2---			
D	-----	---0---2--2---2---			
A	-----	-----2--2---0---			
E	-----	-----0--0-----			

[Verse 1]

A		A
/ / / / / / / /	I think I'm sophisticated,	
A	E	Esus4 E
'Cause I'm living my life like a good homo sapien,		
A		
But all around me everybody's multiplying,		
E	Esus4 E	
And they're walking 'round like flies, man,		
D		
So I'm no better than the animals,		
A	Asus4 A	
Sitting in their cages in the zoo, man,		
A		
'Cause com - pared to the flowers, and the birds, and the trees,		
E E7 A		
I am an ape - man!		

[Verse 2]

A		
I think I'm so educated, and I'm so civilised,		
E	Esus4 E	
'Cause I'm a strict vegetarian,		
A		
But with the over population, and inflation, and starvation,		
E	Esus4 E	
And the crazy poli - tici - ans,		
D		
I don't feel safe in this world no more,		
A		
I don't wanna die in a nuclear war,		
A		
I wanna sail away to a distant shore,		
E E7 A		
And make like an ape - man!		

[Chorus 1]

e |-----|
 B |-----|
 G |-----0-1--|
 D |----0-1-2-4-----|
 A |--4-----|
 E |-----|

A

I'm an ape - man, I'm an ape, ape - man,

E Esus4 E

Oh, I'm an ape - man,

A

I'm a King Kong man, I'm a vood - doo man,

E Esus4 E

Oh, I'm an ape - man,

D

'Cause com - pared to the sun that sits in the sky,

A

Com - pared to the clouds as they roll by,

A

Com - pared to the bugs, and the spiders, and flies,

E E7 A

I am an ape - man!

[Break]

(D) (A)(E) D E A

La-la, la-la! La - la-la!

e |---2--2---2--2---2----0--4---|---2---0--0---0---|
 B |-----|---3---0--0---2---|
 G |---2--2---2--2---2----0--4---|---2---1--1---2---|
 D |-----|---0---2--2---2---|
 A |-----|-----2--2---0---|
 E |-----|-----0--0-----|

[Verse 3]

e |-----|
 B |-----|
 G |-----0-1--|
 D |----0-1-2-4-----|
 A |--4-----|
 E |-----|

A

E

In man's evolution he has created the city,

E

A

And the motor traffic rumble, but, give me half a chance,

E

And I'd be taking off my clothes, and living in the jungle,

D

'Cause the only time that I feel at ease,

A

Is swinging up and down in a coconut tree,

A E E7 A

Oh, what a life of luxury to be like an ape - man!

[Chorus 2]

e |-----|

B |-----|

G |-----0-1--|

D |----0-1-2-4-----|

A |--4-----|

E |-----|

A

I'm an ape - man, I'm an ape, ape - man,

E Esus4 E

Oh, I'm an ape - man,

A

I'm a King Kong man, I'm a vood - doo man,

E Esus4 E

Oh, I'm an ape - man,

D

I look out the window, but I can't see the sky,

A

The air pollution is a - fogging up my eyes,

A

I want to get out of this city alive,

E E7 A

And make like an ape - man!

[Bridge]

(D) (A)(E) D E A N.C.

La-la, la-la! La - la-la! A- come on and..

e |--2--2---2--2---2---0--4--|--2--0-0--0-----|

B |-----|--3--0-0--2-----|

G |--2--2---2--2---2---0--4--|--2--1-1--2-----|

D |-----|--0--2-2--2-----|

A |-----|----2-2--0-----|

E |-----|----0-0-----|

E

...love me

E N.C.

...be my apeman girl,

A

A N.C.

and we'd be so..

e	-0-----0----- -0-----0-----
B	-0-----0----- -2-----2-----
G	-1-----1----- -2-----2-----
D	-2-----2----- -2-----2-h4-2-2-----
A	-2-----2-h4-2-2----- -0-0/4-----0-----
E	-0-0/4-----0----- -----

	E	E N.C.	A
	...happy...	...in my ape-man	world!
e	--0-----0----- --0-----		
B	--0-----0----- --2-----		
G	--1-----1----- --2-----		
D	--2-----2----- --2-----		
A	--2-----2-h4-2-2----- --0-----		
E	--0-0/4-----0----- -----		

(E7)

e	-----
B	-----5-----3-----
G	-----0-1--
D	-2/6---3/4-----0-1-2-4-----
A	-----4-----
E	-----

[Chorus 3]

A
I'm an ape - man, I'm an ape, ape - man,
E Esus4 E
Oh, I'm an ape - man,
A
I'm a King Kong man, I'm a vood - doo man,
E Esus4 E
Oh, I'm an ape - man,
D
I'll be your Tarzan, you'll be my Jane,
A
I'll keep you warm, and you'll keep me sane,
A
We'll sit in the trees, and eat bananas all day,
E E7 A
Just like an ape - man!

[Chorus 4]

e |-----|
B |-----|
G |-----0-1--|
D |----0-1-2-4-----|
A |--4-----|
E |-----|

A

I'm an ape - man, I'm an ape, ape - man,

E Esus4 E

Oh, I'm an ape - man,

A

I'm a King Kong man, I'm a vood - doo man,

E Esus4 E

Oh, I'm an ape - man,

D

I don't feel safe in this world no more,

A

I don't want to die in a nuclear war,

A

I want to sail away to a distant shore,

E E7 A

And make like an ape - man!

[Coda]

(D) (A)(E) E E A

La-la, la-la! La - la -la!

e |---2--2---2--2---2---0--4---|---0---0---0---||
B |-----|---0---0---2---||
G |---2--2---2--2---2---0--4---|---1---1---2---||
D |-----|---2---2---2---||
A |-----|---2---2---0---||
E |-----|---0---0---||

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In the 2nd Chorus the line-

'The air pollution is a -fogging up my eyes' is the overdubbed lyric that appears on the single and mimed TV appearances, the original album has what sounds more like cursing, so you take your choice.