

# Top Of The World Tab by Van Halen

Difficulty: intermediate

Tuning: E A D G B E

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SONG NAME top of the world - Band Name Van halen  
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Tuning: EADGBe

Since no-one else on here had a whole  
Tab on this, I made one J it might be rough in places,  
Especially the interlude.

Intro:

Palm mute all the single notes.

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e| -0-----0-----0-----0--0-----0-----0-----0--0-----|
B| -5-5-5-4-5-5-2-2-2-5-5-4-4-5-0-0-0-5-5-5-4-5-5-----|
G| -----|
D| -----4-4--2-2-----|
A| -----2-2--0-0--2-----|
E| -----0-----|
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e| -0-----0-----0-----0--0-----0-----0-----0--0-----|
B| -5-5-5-4-5-5-2-2-2-5-5-4-4-5-0-0-0-5-5-5-4-5-5-----|
G| -----pickslide\-----|
D| -----|
A| -----|
E| -----|
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The second guitar is doing this natural harmonic. If you're by  
Yourself, I wouldn't recommend doing this. Turn volume  
Up slowly for it.

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e| -volume down-24h-volume-up-----|
B| -----|
G| -----|
D| -----|
A| -----|
E| -----|
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Kick in:

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e| -----9-7\--5-5-3-5~5p4p0-----|
B| -----7-7\3-5-3-----17b19r18b19r17~-----|
G| --6-6-----2-----|
D| --6-6--4-4--2-lettring-----|
A| --4-4--2-2--0-----0-0-0-----|
E| -----|
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Pm: -----

Verse: (palm mute the single notes again)

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e|-----5-----0-0-0-5-----|
B|--5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-4----5-5-5-5-5-5-4-5-5-----|
G|-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----0-----0-----|
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e|-----5-----|
B|--5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-4--5-5-5-5-5-5-5-----|
G|-----6-6--4-2-----|
D|-----6-6--4-2-----|
A|-----4-4-4-2-2-0-----|
E|-----0-----|
```

Prechorus

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e|-----0-0-0-----5-4-2--2-4-5--5-4-2-2-----|
B|-----4-5-5--4-5-2-2-----5-4-2--2-4-5--5-4-2-2-pickslide\--|
D|-----2-----7-----|
A|-----2-----7-----|
E|-0-0-0-----5-4-2-0-----|
Pm -----
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e|-----|
B|-----|
G|-----|
D|-----|
A|--3-----|
E|-----6-5--6-----|
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Chorus:

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e|-----0-----0-0--0--0-0-0-----0-----|
B|-----5-5-5-4--2--5-5-4h-5-0--5-4-4-5-5\--2-3p2--7-8-7\-----|
G|-----2-2--6-6-6\-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|--0-----|
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e|-----0-----0-0--0--0-0-0-----0-----0-----|
B|-----5-5-5-4--2--5-5-4h-5-0--5-4-4-5-5\-----0-----|
G|-----4-4-4-4-2-----|
D|-----4-4-4-4-2-----|
A|-----2-2-2-2-0-----|
E|--0-----|
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Afterchorus: (yeah cant think of what to call it!)

To do the pinch harmonics you pinch them at different areas.

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e|-----0-----|
B|-----5-5-5-5-5-5--5-5-5-5-4-----|
G|-----9ba.h.r-9ba.h.9a.hr-----|
D|-----=-----|
A|-----0-----|
E|--0-----0-----|
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e|-----0-----|
B|-----5-5-5-5-5-5-----5-5-5-5-4-----|
G|-----pickslide\-----9-7-----|
D|-----2-----9~-----|
A|-----0-----|
E|--0-----0-----0-3-----|

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Go to prechorus, after that chorus. In the background  
This is being played. this goes on for the rest of the song. evh is putting these notes

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e|-----|
B|--17-----19--15-----|
G|-----16-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|

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together:

Interlude: the chords were hard to hear, so this will be rough.  
Play this a couple times:

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e|-----|
B|-----9-7-----9-9-----|
G|-----9--7-----9-----9-----|
D|--7--7-9-----7--7-7--9--9-----|
A|--7-7--9-----7--7-7--9-----9-----|
E|--5-----7-----5--7-----7-----|

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This is the bit where he says upside down.

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e|-----|
B|-----|
G|-----|
D|----7--9--9--11-----|
A|----7--9--9--11-----|
E|----5--7--7--9-----|

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Wah solo:

Here evh is messing with whammy and wah. Just shove  
Your wah up really high. It doesn't matter about notes.

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e|----18b~-----|
B|-----10-----|
G|-----9-7-9-9~--9---9-7-9~-----11p911b11p9-7v-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----3wb/-5wb/-7wb/-----|

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e|-----|
B|-----11-----|
G|----9-7-9-9~--9---9-7-9~---19p1719b19p1715~-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|

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Turn wah off.

```
e|--8-----7-----8-----14b-14p11-11--8-----7-----8-----|
B|--8-7-5-8-7-5-8-7-7-----8-7-5-8-7-5-8-----|
G|-----5hw.b-----|
D|-----7h-5hwb-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|
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e|--8-----7-----8-----14b-14p11-11--8-----7-----8-----|
B|--8-7-5-8-7-5-8-7-7-----8-7-5-8-7-5-----|
G|-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|
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Fast scale up here.

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e|-----10h12-15wb-12-10-12~----|
B|-----11h12h14-----|
G|-----11h12h14-----|
D|-----11h12h14-----|
A|-----11h12h14-----|
E|--10h11h12-----|
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Go back to chorus.

Fill during outro:

```
e|-----|
B|-pickslide\ -9a.h-----|
G|-----|
D|-----\ \ \ -6-4-2-----|
A|-----\ \ -4-2-0-----|
E|-----0-----|
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Fade out.

| / Slide up  
| \ Slide down  
| h hammer-on  
| p pull-off  
| ~ Vibrato  
| a.h artificial/ pinch harmonic  
| x Mute note  
| h natural harmonic  
| wb push whammy bar down and back up. (not too much)  
| h harmonic  
| wb\ push whammy bar down  
| db dive bomb  
| wb\ pre press the wammy bar down, play the note, raise wambar