



Swift Guitar Lessons

Three Classic Blues Licks in A – Mini-Series

Hello friends, and welcome to another weekly lead guitar lesson! In This tutorial, I'll break down three classic licks that are mainly inspired by blues legend Stevie Ray Vaughan. We'll begin by learning the "SRV shuffle," before tackling some common scales, and the licks at hand. Let's get started!

Source Scales:

1) A Blues Scale, Open Position: **A, C, D, Eb, E, G, A**

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

2) A Major Scale, w/ Open Strings: **A, B, C#, D, E, F#,G#,A**

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

3) A Major Pentatonic ("The Backyard Scale") : **A, B, C#, E, F#,A**

E		-----2- 5 -	
B		-----2-5-----	
G		----- 2 -4-----	
D		-----2-4-----	
A		-----2-4-----	
E		- 5 -----	

With your source scales memorized, let's tackle SRV's signature shuffle!



E		-----	
B		-----	
G		----- 2 -	
D		-2-2-4-4-2-2-----	
A		-0-0-0-0-0-0-3p0--	
E		-----	
		1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & a	

Note: The above shuffle pattern is often palm-muted. Place your palm where the strings meet your bridge to muffle or "dampen" the notes to produce a thicker tone.



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Lick #1 *(Comes in on Beat 2)*

```
E | -0-----0----- |
B | ----- |
G | -1/2-2-0h2-0----- |
D | -----2-0h1p0-0----- |
A | -----3-3b-0- |
E | ----- |
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Lick #2 *(Comes in on Beat 2)*

```
E | -----0-3b(4)-0----- |
B | -0h1h2-----0h1h2-- |
G | -----2- |
D | ----- |
A | ----- |
E | ----- |
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Lick #3 *(Comes in on Beat 4, into the next measure)*

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E | -----0-----5v- |
B | -----(3)/5-4-3h4p3-3----- |
G | --2-----5-5-(4)/6--- |
D | -/4-4----- |
A | ----- |
E | ----- |
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Thanks so much for your continued support! -Rob