

Cover songs

I lived it a million times!

A collection of covers songs on official albums
played by Steve Lukather

In an interview in *Guitar Player* back in 1984, Lukather explained the practical utility of copying your masters: "The best way to learn how to play rock and roll guitar is to copy people you dig. It is very valuable for a young player who has just been playing for a couple of years to get that vocabulary under his fingers, to understand wang bar tricks and how and why things work. Just learn how to do it. Like Pat Martino said, 'Try to learn everything you can, and then forget it.' Then just play your own stuff. Learning everything from a book isn't going to do you any good. You need practical application of what you learn. When you're out doing a top-40 club gig six nights a week, three sets a night, and learn an Ozzy solo, eventually you are going to start playing other stuff. You are going to start permutating those little things. That's how you develop your style. I'm sure Carlton learned solos from old jazz guys like Wes Montgomery. You can hear the same elements in everybody's playing, everyone has the same blues vocabulary. But it's the vibrato and the touch that makes the style. You develop what pleases your ear, and if you're lucky, it will please someone else's ear."

Lukather stated more than once that he copied lots of masters to incorporate their tricks and licks into his own developing sound and style. Music wise he's interested in Miles Davis, The Beatles, Pink Floyd, John Coltrane, Herbie Hancock, Joe Zawinul, Derek Sherinian, Edgar Winter, Fee Waybill, David Garfield etc. and guitar wise in Jimi Hendrix, Jeff Beck, Joe Walsh, David Gilmour, Larry Carlton, Jimmy Page, Steve Vai, Joe satriani and Micheal Landau, just to list a few examples.

One of the best metaphors to explain how Lukather is handling his musical examples is coming from keyboard player Derek Sherinian who worked with Lukather on his album *Inertia* (2001): "What makes Lukather so great, is that he can take someone elses piece of music, and make it sound like he has lived it a million times, and plays a perfect track for you instantly. (Young musicians, please re-read the last paragraph in case you missed that)."

Aerosmith | Steve Lukather - [Walk this way](#)

(Perry/Tyler) ([Not the same old song and dance, a tribute to Aerosmith](#), 1999)

Aerosmith | Steve Lukather - [Kings and queens](#)

(Hamilton/Tyler/Whitford/Kramer/Douglas) ([One way street, a tribute to Aerosmith](#), 2002)

Animals, The | Toto - [House of the rising sun](#)

(Traditional) ([Through the looking glass](#), 2002)

Beatles, The | Toto - [With a little help from my friends](#)

(J. Lennon, P. McCartney) ([Absolutely live](#), 1993)

Beatles, The | Toto - [While my guitar gently weeps](#)

(George Harrison) ([Through the looking glass](#), 2002)

Beatles, The | Steve Lukather - [Julia](#)

(Lennon/McCartney) ([Norwegian wood II](#), 1995)

Beatles, The | Steve Lukather - [Eleonor Rigby](#)

(Lennon/McCartney) ([Norwegian wood II](#), 1995)

Beatles, The | Lukather, Steve - [Taxman](#)

(George Harrison) ([Butchering the Beatles](#), 2006)

Beck, Jeff | Carlton & Lukather - [The Pump](#)

(Simon Phillips, Tony Hymas) ([No substitutions](#), 2001)

Beck, Jeff | Steve Lukather - [Behind the veil](#)

(Steve Lukather, guitar) ([Jeffology](#), 1995)

Beck, Jeff | Derek Sherinian - [Goodbye porkpie hat](#)

(C. Mingus) ([Inertia](#), 2001)

Beck, Jeff | Derek Sherinian - [Star cycle](#)

(J. Hammer) ([Black utopia](#), 2003)

Beck, Jeff | Steve Lukather - [Brush with the blues](#)
(Tony Hymas/Jeff Beck) ([Guitars for freedom II](#), 2002)

Beck, Jeff | The Crusaders - [Cause we've ended as lovers](#)
(S. Wonder) ([Healing the wounds](#), 1990)

Beck, Jeff | Lukather, Steve - [The pump](#)
(Simon Phillips, Tony Hymas) ([Luke](#), 1997)

Bob Marley | Toto - [Could you be loved](#)
(Bob Marley) ([Through the looking glass](#), 2002)

Christmas songs | Lukather, Steve & Friends - [Joy to the world](#)
(Arranged by Lukether & Babko) ([Santamental](#), 2003)

Christmas songs | Lukather, Steve & Friends - [Greensleeves](#)
(Arranged by Lukether & Babko) ([Santamental](#), 2003)

Christmas songs | Lukather, Steve & Friends - [Jingle bells](#)
(JB remix by Sammy Davis Jr. (sample)) ([Santamental](#), 2003)

Christmas songs | Lukather, Steve & Friends - [Carol of the bells](#)
(Arranged by Lukether & Babko) ([Santamental](#), 2003)

Christmas songs | Lukather, Steve & Friends - [Angels we have heard on high](#)
(Arranged by Lukether & Babko) ([Santamental](#), 2003)

Christmas songs | Lukather, Steve & Friends - [Winter wonderland](#)
(Arranged by Lukether & Babko) ([Santamental](#), 2003)

Christmas songs | Lukather, Steve & Friends - [Silent night](#)
(Dedicated to Jeff Beck) ([Santamental](#), 2003)

Christmas songs | Lukather, Steve & Friends - [The Christmas song](#)
(Arranged by Larry Carlton & Steve Lukather) ([Santamental](#), 2003)

Christmas songs | Steve Lukather - [Oh tannenbaum](#)
(performed by Steve Lukather) ([The carols of Christmas II](#), 1997)

Christmas songs | Steve Lukather - [The Christmas song](#)
(Steve Lukather) ([Merry Axemas](#), 1998)

Christmas songs | Whitney Houston - [Do you hear what I hear](#)
(p.b. Whitney Houston) ([A very special Christmas](#), 1989)

Christmas songs | Steve Lukather - [Happy Xmas \(War is over\)](#)
(Tommy Shaw, Steve Lukather) ([We wish you a metal Xmas and a headbanging new year](#), 2008)

Coltrane, John | Lukather, Steve - [Crescent](#)
(guitar: Steve Lukather) ([A guitars supreme, tribute to John Coltrane](#), 2004)

Cooper, Alice | Steve Lukather - [Welcome to my nightmare](#)
(Ronnie James Dio) ([Humanary stew, a tribute to Alice Cooper](#), 1999)

Costello, Elvis | Toto - [Watching the detectives](#)
(Elvis Costello) ([Through the looking glass](#), 2002)

Cream | Toto - [Sunshine of your love](#)
(Eric Clapton, Jack Bruce, Peter Constant) ([Through the looking glass](#), 2002)

Davis, Miles | Los Lobotomys - [All blues](#)
(Miles Davis) ([Los Lobotomys](#), 1989)

Davis, Miles | Carlton & Lukather - [All blues](#)
(Miles Davis) ([No substitutions](#), 2001)

Davis, Miles | Karizma - [All blues](#)
(Miles Davis) ([Cuba](#), 1989)

Dylan, Bob | Toto - [It takes a lot to laugh, it takes a train to cry](#)
(Bob Dylan) ([Through the looking glass](#), 2002)

Gabriel, Peter | Jeff Richman & Steve Lukather - [Sledgehammer](#)
(Peter Gabriel) ([The way in](#), 1991)

Green, Al | Toto - [I can't get next to you](#)
(Barrett Strong/Norman Whitfield) ([Through the looking glass](#), 2002)

Hancock, Herbie | Toto - [Maiden voyage/Butterfly](#)
(Herbie Hancock) ([Through the looking glass](#), 2002)

Hendrix, Jimi | Los Lobotomys - [Purple haze](#)
(Jimi Hendrix) ([Los Lobotomys](#), 1989)

Hendrix, Jimi | Los Lobotomys - [Little wing](#)
(Jimi Hendrix) ([Los Lobotomys](#), 1989)

Hendrix, Jimi | Steve Lukather - [Freedom](#)
(Jimi Hendrix) ([Candyman](#), 1994)

Hendrix, Jimi | Steve Lukather - [Red house](#)
(Jimi Hendrix) ([Candyman](#), 1994)

Hendrix, Jimi | Toto - [Little wing](#)
(Jimi Hendrix) ([Kingdom of desire](#), 1992)

Hendrix, Jimi | Steve Lukather - [All along the watchtower](#)
(Bob Dylan) ([Hazy dreams, \(not just\) a Jimi Hendrix tribute](#), 2003)

Hendrix, Jimi | Steve Lukather - [Third stone from the sun](#)
(Steve Lukather, guitar) ([Voodoo crossing, a tribute to Jimi Hendrix](#), 2003)

Hendrix, Jimi | Steve Lukather - [Have you ever been \(to Electric Ladyland\)](#)
(Hendrix) ([In from the storm](#), 1995)

Hendrix, Jimi | Steve Lukather - [Purple haze](#)
(Hendrix) ([In from the storm](#), 1995)

Hendrix, Jimi | Lukather, Steve - [Hear my train a comin'](#)
(Steve Lukather) ([Gypsy blood, A tribute to Jimi Hendrix, vol. 2](#), 2005)

Hendrix, Jimi | Schwarz, Siggie - [Purple haze](#)
(J. Hendrix) ([Woodstock, vol. II](#), 2005)

Hendrix, Jimi | Schwarz, Siggie - [Fire](#)
(J. Hendrix) ([Woodstock, vol. II](#), 2005)

John, Elton | Toto - [Burn down the mission](#)
(Elton John/Bernie Taupin) ([Through the looking glass](#), 2002)

Kiss | Lukather, Steve - [Love gun](#)
(Feat. Tommy Shaw and Steve Lukather) ([Spin the bottle, an allstar tribute to Kiss](#), 2004)

Led Zeppelin | Far Corporation - [Stairway to heaven](#)
(Page/Plant) ([Division one](#), 1985)

Led Zeppelin | Steve Lukather - [Whole lotta love](#)
(Bonham/Dixon/Jones/Page/Plant) ([Stairway to rock - \(not just\) a Led Zeppelin tribute](#), 2003)

Led Zeppelin | Lukather, Steve - [Rock and roll](#)
(Steve Lukather) ([Led box: The ultimate tribute to Led Zeppelin](#), 2008)

Mahavishnu Orchestra | Lukather, Steve - [Birds of Fire](#)
(John McLaughlin) ([Visions of an inner mounting apocalypse](#), 2005)

Mayfield, Curtis | Larson Band, Travis - [People get ready](#)
(Curtis Mayfield) ([Burn season](#), 2004)

Mitchell, Joni | Schwarz, Siggie - [Woodstock](#)
(J. Mitchell) ([Woodstock, vol. II](#), 2005)

Mr. Big | Steve Lukather - [Price you gotta pay](#)
(Gilbert/Sheehan/Torpey) ([Influences and connections 1, Mr. Big](#), 2003)

Osbourne, Ozzy | Steve Lukather - [Hellraiser](#)
(Joe Lynn Turner) ([Bat head soup, Tribute to Ozzy](#), 2000)

Pink Floyd | Steve Lukather - [Shine on you crazy diamond](#)
(Gilmour/Waters/Wright) ([Pigs and pyramids, The songs of Pink Floyd](#), 2002)

Pink Floyd | Lukather, Steve - [Another brick in the wall, pt 3](#)
(Steve Lukather, Tony Levin) ([Back against the wall](#), 2005)

Pink Floyd | Lukather, Steve - [Hey you](#)
(Steve Lukather, John Wetton, Alan White, Tommy Shaw) ([Back against the wall](#), 2005)

Queen | Steve Lukather - [I'm in love with my car](#)
(Kip Winger) ([Stone cold Queen, a tribute](#), 2001)

Redding, Otis | Steve Lukather - [I can't turn you loose](#)
(Otis Redding) ([Tribute to Otis Redding](#), 1989)

Rundgren, Todd | Steve Lukather - [Tiny demons](#)
(performed by Steve Lukather) ([Todd Rundgren & His Friends](#), 2002)

Rundgren, Todd | Steve Lukather - [I saw the light](#)
(Chieli Minucci & Steve Lukather) ([A tribute to a legend](#), 2008)

Springsteen, Bruce | Donna Summer - [Protection](#)
(p.b. Donna Summer) ([One step up/Two steps back: The songs of Bruce Springsteen](#), 1989)

Steely Dan | Toto - [Bodhisattva](#)
(Donald Fagen, Walter Becker) ([Through the looking glass](#), 2002)

Stills, Stephen | Steve Lukather - [Blue bird](#)

(Stephen Stills) ([Luke](#), 1997)

Walsh, Joe | Steve Lukather - [The bomber](#)

(Joe Walsh, Vince Guaraldi) ([Candyman](#), 1994)

Wonder, Stevie | Toto - [Living for the city](#)

(Stevie Wonder) ([Through the looking glass](#), 2002)

Another chance

Official covers of Lukather songs
played by other artists

Lukather, Steve | Rodney Crowell - [U don't know how much I hate U](#)

(Rodney Crowell/Steve Lukather) ([The Houston kid](#), 2001)

Lukather, Steve | Lil' Kim - [Not tonight](#)

(Dupri, Jones, Lukather...) ([Hard core](#), 1996)

Lukather, Steve | Tony Di Bart - [Dance edit](#)

(Lukather, Graydon, Champlin) ([Turn your love around](#), 1995)

Lukather, Steve | Linda Wehipeihana Project - [Turn your love around](#)

(Lukather, Graydon, Champlin) ([Linda Wehipeihana Project](#), 2000)

Lukather, Steve | Tae bo mix - [Turn your love around](#)

(Lukather, Graydon, Champlin) ([Tae bo mix](#), 2001)

Lukather, Steve | Jacky Gore - [Turn your love around](#)

(Lukather, Graydon, Champlin) ([The real thing](#), 2002)

Lukather, Steve | Tavares - [Turn your love around](#)

(Lukather, Graydon, Champlin) ([Live hits](#), 1996)

Lukather, Steve | Tamas - [Hero with a 1000 eyes](#)

(Steve Lukather, David Garfield, Fee Waybill) ([Blue syndicate](#), 1996)

Lukather, Steve | Chritian Tolle Project - [Swear your love](#)

(Steve Lukather, Richard Marx) ([The real thing](#), 2005)

Lukather, Steve & David Paich | Davis, Miles - [Don't stop me now](#)

(Lukather, Paich) ([Munich concert](#), 2005)

Toto | FRO - [Out of love](#)

(Byron, Lukather) ([Classic Toto hits](#), 1990)

Toto | FRO - [I won't hold you back](#)

(Lukather) ([Classic Toto hits](#), 1990)

Toto | FRO - [I'll be over you](#)

(Goodrum, Lukather) ([Classic Toto hits](#), 1990)

Toto | FRO - [Anna](#)

(Goodrum, Lukather) ([Classic Toto hits](#), 1990)

Toto | FRO - [Isolation](#)

(Paich, Frederiksen, Lukather) ([Classic Toto hits](#), 1990)

Toto | Randy Goodrum - [I'll be over you](#)

(Goodrum/Lukather) ([Words & music](#), 1994)

Toto | The John Tesh Project - [I'll be over you](#)

(Goodrum/Lukather) ([Sax on the beach](#), 1995)

Toto | Joey DeFrancesco - [Don't stop me now](#)

(Steve Lukather, David Paich) ([Part III](#), 1991)

Toto | Larry Coryell - [I'll be over you](#)

(Goodrum, Lukather) ([I'll be over you](#), 1994)

Toto | Daniel Ho - [I'll be over you](#)

(Goodrum, Lukather) ([Instrumentally yours: classic love songs](#), 1999)

Toto | Roger Sanchez - [Another chance](#)

(Lukather/Sanchez) ([First contact](#), 2001)

Toto | Miles Davis - [Don't stop me now](#)

(Lukather/Paich) ([The Complete Miles Davis at Montreux 1973-1991](#), 2002)

Toto | Gregorian - [I won't hold you back](#)

(Steve Lukather) ([Masters of chant chapter III](#), 2002)

Toto | Love Solution - [I'll be over you](#)
(Goodrum, Lukather) ([I'll be over you \(single\)](#), 2002)

Toto | Trammell Starks - [I'll be over you](#)
(Trammell Starks) ([Bedroom mixes, vol. 3](#), 2004)

Toto | King of Balance - Caught in the balance
(Lukather, Paich, Phillips, Porcaro, Lynch, Kimball) ([A rockwalk through the Toto years](#), 2008)

Toto | King of balance - Isolation
(D. Paich, F. Frederiksen, S. Lukather) ([A rockwalk through the Toto years](#), 2008)

Toto | King of Balance - I will remember
(S. Lukather, S. Lynch) ([A rockwalk through the Toto years](#), 2008)

Toto | King of Balance - Don't chain my heart
(Paich, Lukather, J. Porcaro, M. Porcaro) ([A rockwalk through the Toto years](#), 2008)

Toto | King of Balance - Hydra
(Toto) ([A rockwalk through the Toto years](#), 2008)

Toto | King of Balance - Stop loving you
(Steve Lukather, David Paich) ([A rockwalk through the Toto years](#), 2008)

Toto | King of Balance - I'll be over you
(Steve Lukather, Randy Goodrum) ([A rockwalk through the Toto years](#), 2008)

Toto | King of Balance - Jake to the bone
(Paich, Lukather, J. Porcaro, M. Porcaro) ([A rockwalk through the Toto years](#), 2008)

Toto | King of Balance - Home of the brave
(D. Paich, S. Lukather, J. Webb & J. Williams) ([A rockwalk through the Toto years](#), 2008)

Toto | Stereoboy - [I won't hold you back \(Original radio edit\)](#)
(Steve Lukather) ([I won't hold you back](#), 2008)