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Introduction

While there are 15 Major keys in the Diatonic scales most commonly used in Western music, we rarely see more than a few of them in songbooks and sheet music. As a practical matter, we will mostly see songs in the keys of C Major (no sharps or flats), F Major (one flat), and G Major (one sharp), and occasionally in the keys of D Major (2 sharps), B \flat Major (2 flats), A Major (3 sharps), and E \flat Major (3 flats).

In each key, there are seven primary chords which are identified by Roman numerals: I ii iii IV V vi and vii. The chords in capital letters – I, IV & V – are Major chords. Three chords in lower case letters – ii, iii, & vi – are Minor chords, and the vii chord is a diminished chord.

Key	Ι	ii	iii	IV	V	vi	vii ^o
С	С	Dm	Em	F	G	Am	B dim.
F	F	Gm	Am	Вþ	С	Dm	E dim.
G	G	Am	Bm	С	D	Em	F dim.

The seven primary chords in these three keys are:

Note that the V chord may be either the Major chord or the Dominant Seventh chord, which is represented by the number 7, for example G7, C7, and D7.

The Major chords are the chords most often seen in songs in a given key, and there are hundreds and hundreds of songs that only use these three chords. In this workbook, we will see primarily the three Major chords that occur in the three most often seen keys:

Key	Ι	IV	V / V7
С	С	F	G / G7
F	F	Вb	C / C7
G	G	С	D / D7

You probably noticed that these three keys have several chords in common. The C chord occurs in all three keys, and the F and G chords occur in two of the keys.

An interesting side-note concerns *progressions in songs*. In many songs, you will not only see the above three chords, but you will also see them in this order. This progression is so common that it has a name: the Three-Chord Song; for more information, see the Wikipedia article on this topic: <u>Three-chord song</u>. In this songbook, there is one song with this progression, "Louie Louie." This progression also flows in reverse; V IV I; see the song "Sweet Home Alabama." Sometimes only two of the chords are seen, for example the I and the V; see "He's Got The Whole World In His Hands," "Jambalaya," and "Save The Last Dance For Me." Sometimes, a chord in this progression is repeated, for example, the progression of I IV I V; see "Amazing Grace" and "The Lion Sleeps Tonight." Finally, the I IV V progression is the basis of the influential "<u>Twelve-Bar Blues Progression</u>."

In some songs, we may also see minor chords of these keys. The chart below shows the Minor chords in order of most likely appearance in a song:

Key	vi	ii	iii
С	Am	Dm	Em
F	Dm	Gm	Am
G	Em	Am	Bm

One last thing. Near the end of the workbook are four pages of a special type of chord, the Barre Chord. These are chords where all four strings are pressed at the same time. This allows the player to play several chords just by moving your hand up and down the keyboard, creating unique and interesting sounds. This is usually considered to be an intermediate to advanced skill, but it's a technique that the beginner should be aware of for future reference. In the article "Three-chord song," the Wikipedia authors mentioned "...the Ramones pioneered the three barre chord approach on their debut album *Ramones* [1976], although on this album there were songs with five, six or seven chords." Wikipedia contributors. "Three-chord song." Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia, 29 Jun. 2017. Web. 4 Nov. 2018. See also the Wikipedia article, <u>Barre chord</u>.

The songs that were selected for this workbook were transposed into all three keys. The first section will be songs in the key of C, the second section will be songs in the key of F, and the third section will be songs in the Key of G. Each song will have chord charts printed in the margins for both the Standard C Tuning (CGEA) and for G Tuning (DGBE), which is used by the baritone ukulele. Note that at least one company manufactures strings for the tenor ukulele in G Tuning. Following the songs are pages that contain chord charts, a transposition chart, the Circle of Fifth diagram, a listing of the keys in the Diatonic / Western music scales, some common barre chords, and some common chord progressions.

In these songs you will also see a few musical terms:

• Intro - Introduction

- [Tacet] No Strumming until the next chord symbol.
- [Stop] A single strum of the preceding chord symbol, and then stop strumming until the next chord symbol.
- Outro The exiting chords.

By becoming familiar with these chords, you'll find that you will be able to play most of the songs that you come across. And, as you work through each of the songs in this book, your ability and your confidence will increase. Try to play at least five minutes every day. Of course, 15 to 30 minutes would be better, but just five minutes helps to keep building the finger calluses and keeping the fingers flexible.

The sub-title indicates that there are six three-chord songs in this book, but if you looked at the Table of Contents, you saw that there were 12 songs in the workbook. The reason for this discrepancy is that the first two songs are two-chord songs ... something of a warm-up and review of earlier work ... and the last four songs are four-chord songs, stretching you out a little bit and getting your ready for the next steps in the world of playing and singing with a ukulele.

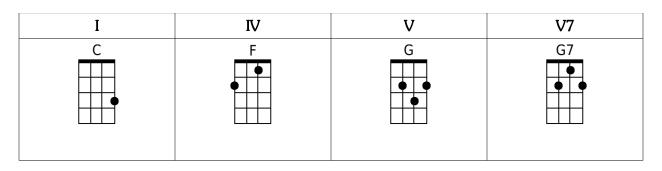
I hope that this workbook will be a helpful tool in advancing your knowledge and proficiency of the ukulele. Where ever you decide to go with the uke, the number one rule is this: *always have fun*. As Willie Nelson wrote, "The life I love is making music with my friends!"

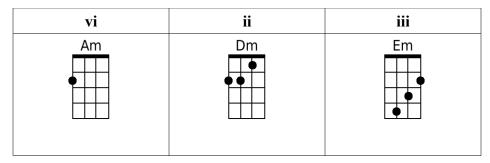
Doug Anderson Decatur, Alabama November, 2018

Note: The most frequently seen major and minor chords that you will see in this book are found on the following pages.

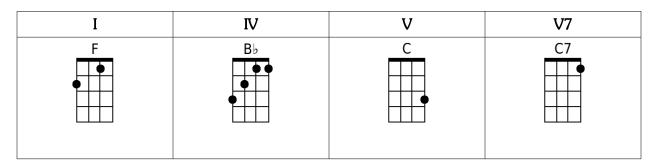
C Tuning (GCEA – Soprano, Concert & Tenor Ukuleles)

Key of C:



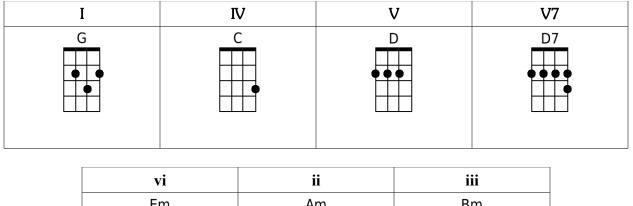


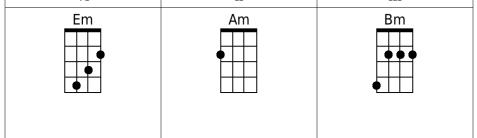
Key of F:



vi	ii	iii
	Gm • •	Am •

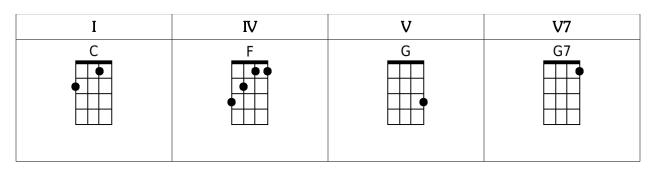
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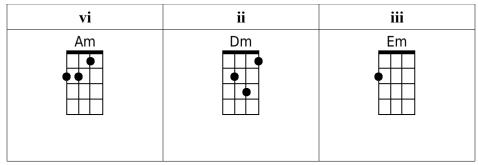




G Tuning (DGBE – Baritone Ukuleles)

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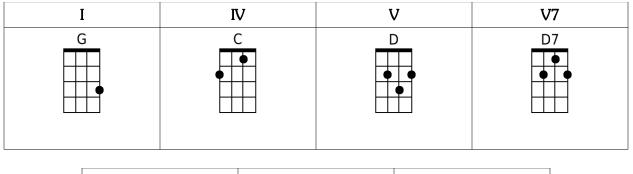


Key of F:

Ι	IV	V	V7
F	Bb	С	C7
		•	

vi	ii	iii
Dm • •	Gm •••	Am ••

Key of G:



vi	ii	iii
Em	Am ••	Bm

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He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

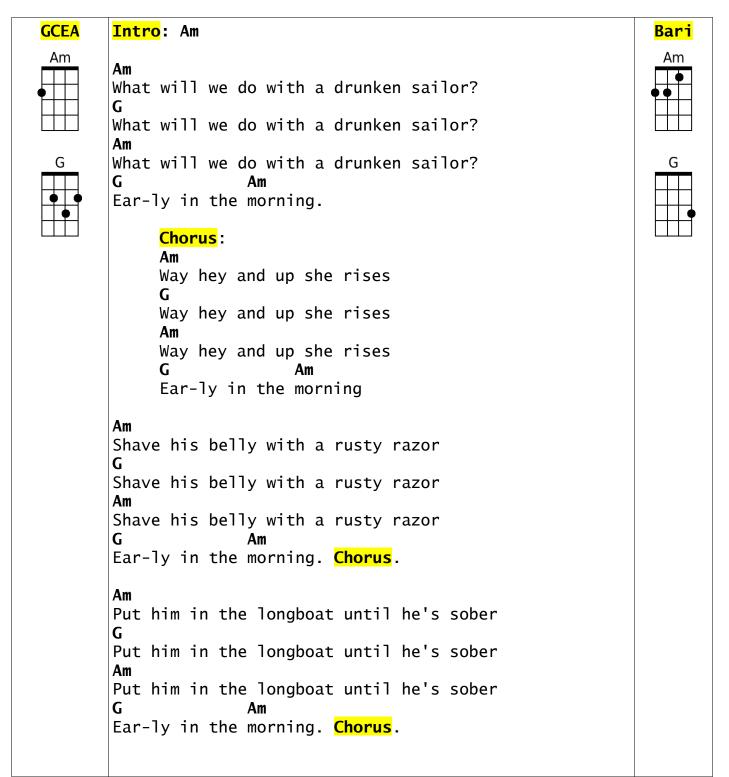
Traditional African-American Spiritual

First published in the paper-bound hymnal *Spirituals Triumphant, Old and New* (Prof. Edward Boatner and Willa A. Townsend, National Baptist Convention, 1927) Loretta Lynn, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FDHCCWM 36g

GCEA	C Intro : / / / / / / (Count: 1 2 3 4, 1 2 3	Bari
C	C He's got the whole world in his hands G7	C •
G7	He's got the whole wide world in his hands	G7
	He's got the whole world in his hands G7 C	
	He's got the whole world in his hands.	
	C He's got the little bitty baby in his hands G7	
	He's got the little bitty baby in his hands	
	He's got the little bitty baby in his hands.	
	He's got the whole world in his hands.	
	C He's got you and me, brother, in his hands G7	
	He's got you and me, sister, in his hands C	
	He's got you and me, brother, in his hands. G7 C	
	He's got the whole world in his hands.	
	(<mark>Repeat First Verse</mark>)	
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What Will We Do With a Drunken Sailor?

Traditional Sea Shanty in Dorian Mode The Irish Rovers, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qGyPuey-1Jw</u>

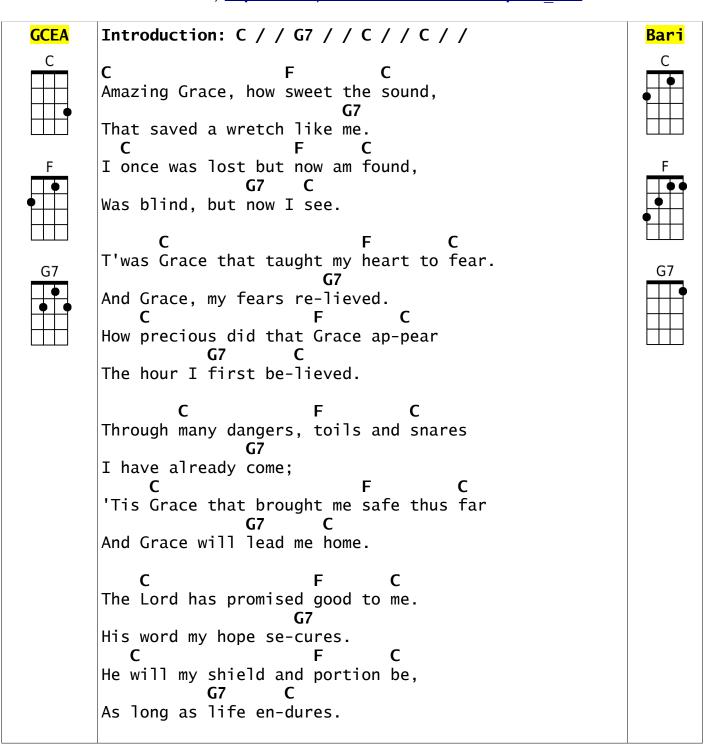


Am Stick him in the scuppers with a hosepipe on him G Stick him in the scuppers with a hosepipe on him Am Stick him in the scuppers with a hosepipe on him Δm Ear-ly in the morning. Chorus. Am Put him in the bed with the captain's daughter Put him in the bed with the captain's daughter Am Put him in the bed with the captain's daughter Am Ear-ly in the morning. Chorus. Am Make him sing it with a ukulele, Make him sing it with a ukulele, Am Make him sing it with a ukulele, Am G Ear-ly in the morning. Chorus. Am That's what we do with a drunken sailor That's what we do with a drunken sailor Am That's what we do with a drunken sailor G Am Ear-ly in the morning. Chorus.

Note: The verse "Make him sing it with a ukulele" was added by Doug Anderson, Decatur, Ala., Oct 28, 2018.

Amazing Grace

Words: Rev. John Newton, 1779 Tune: "New Britain" Key of C – ³/₄ Time Celtic Woman, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HsCp5LG zNE

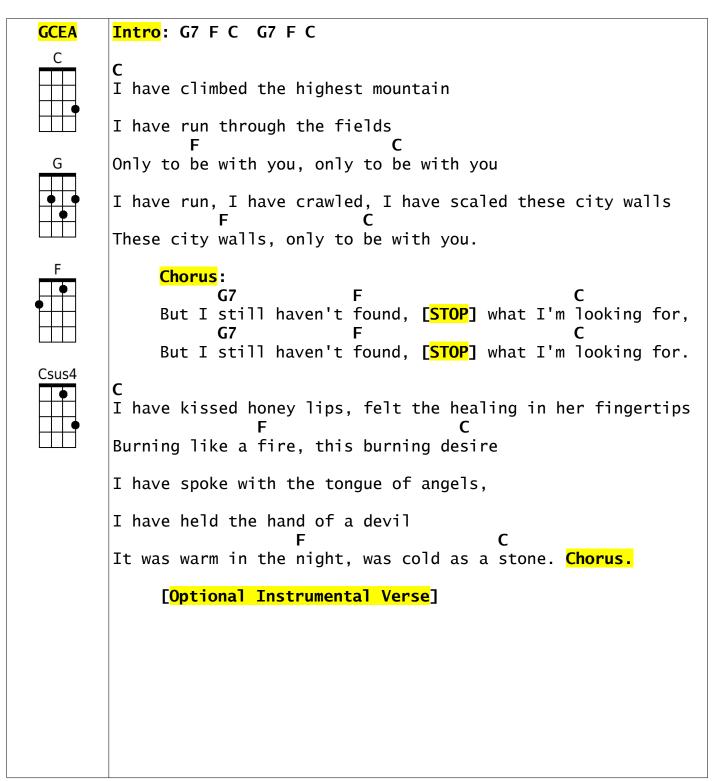


Chapter One: Songs in the Keys of C & A Minor

С F С Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail, **G7** And mortal life shall cease, С I shall possess within the veil, **G**7 С A life of joy and peace. С F С When we've been here ten thousand years **G7** Bright shining as the sun. We've no less days to sing God's praise **G7** С Than when we've first be-gun. С F С Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, **G7** That saved a wretch like me. С C I once was lost but now am found, **G7** С Was blind, but now I see.

I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For

Lyrics by Bono; Music by the group U2 (1987) U2: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O_ISAntOom0</u> (Capo 1st)

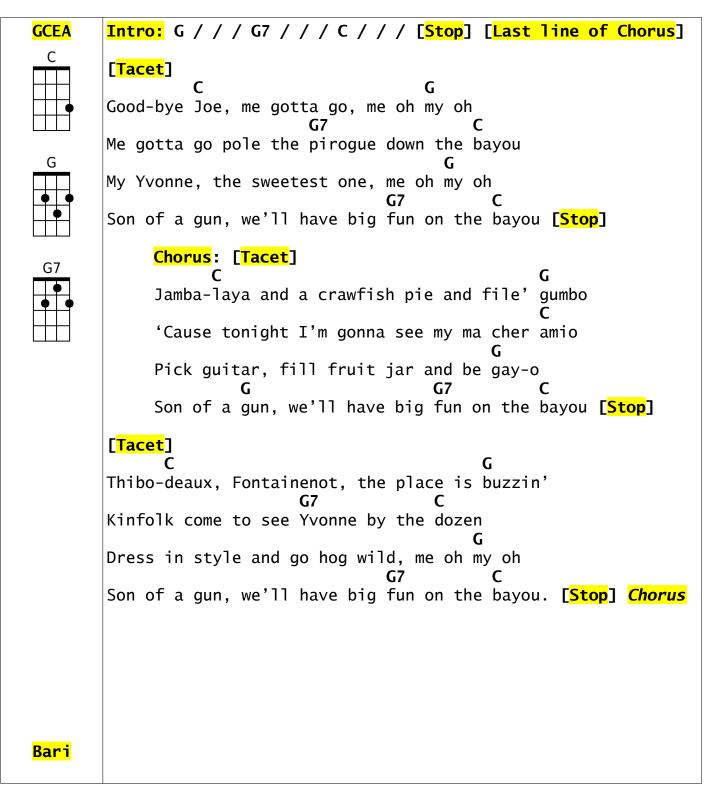


Bari C	C I believe in the kingdom come,
	Then all the colors will bleed into one F C
	Bleed into one, yes I'm still running
G	You broke the bonds and you loosed the chains F
	Carried the cross of my shame, of my shame C
	You know I believed it.
F	G7 F C
	But I still haven't found, [STOP] what I'm looking for G7 F C
	But I still haven't found, [<mark>STOP</mark>] what I'm looking for G7 F C
Csus4	But I still haven't found, [<mark>STOP</mark>] what I'm looking for G7 F C G7 C
	But I still haven't found, [STOP] what I'm looking for.
	(<mark>Repeat to fade</mark>)

Note: In other arrangements, the F Chord is replaced by a Csus4.

Jambalaya

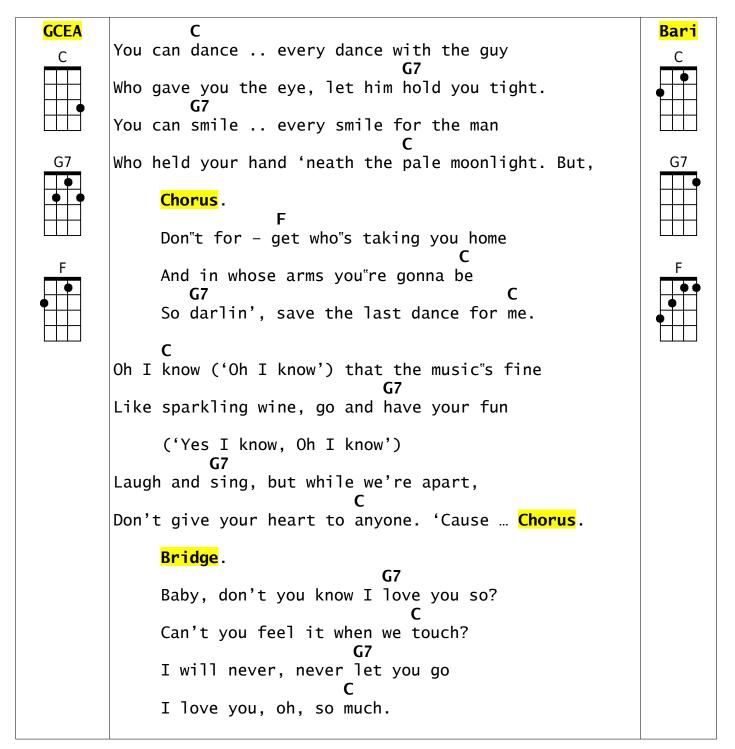
Written and Recorded by Hank Williams (1952) Hank Williams - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_JX4SQAS9w0</u> Capo 5



C	[Tacet] C G
	Settle down, far from town, get me a pirogue G7 C
	And I'll catch all the fish in the bayou
G	Swap my mon to buy Yvonne what she need-o G7 C
	Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou. [Stop] Chorus
	<mark>Outro</mark> : G G7 C
G7	G G7 C Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou.

Save the Last Dance For Me

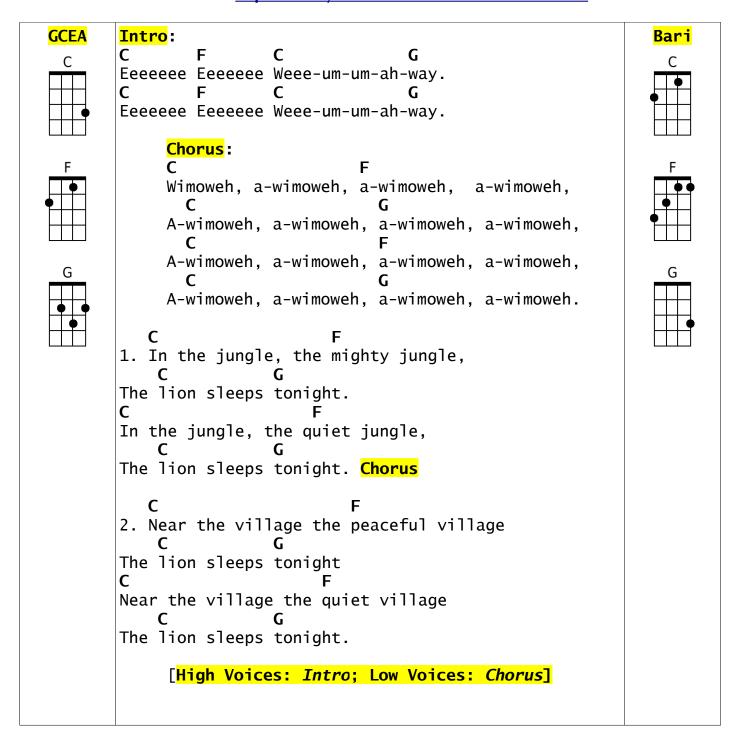
Written by Doc Pomus and Mort Shuman (1960) Recorded by the Drifters (1960), with Ben E. King on lead vocals, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n-XQ26KePUQ</u> Emmylou Harris, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wf-8I7pcFBk</u>



C You can dance ('You can dance'), go and carry on G7 Till the night is gone and it's time to go ('You can dance') G7 If he asks .. if you're all alone, C Can he take you home, you must tell him "no." 'Cause ... Chorus. (x2) Outro: G7 So Darlin', save the last dance for me (x2)

The Lion Sleeps Tonight

Original Words and Music: "Mbube," Solomon Linda, 1920s; Recorded by Solomon Linda and the Evening Birds, 1939 Adapted by George David Weiss and Al Brackman and Recorded by The Tokens, 1961 The Tokens: https://www.youtube.com/watch?y=8E8xMcXml9E



C F 3. Hush my darling don't fear my darling C G The lion sleeps tonight C F Hush my darling don't fear my darling C G The lion sleeps tonight. [High Voices: Intro; Low Voices: Chorus]

For More Information, see "The Lion Sleeps Tonight," <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?</u> <u>title=The Lion Sleeps Tonight&oldid=863365190</u>. Wikipedia contributors. "The Lion Sleeps Tonight." Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia. Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia, 10 Oct. 2018. Web. 27 Oct. 2018.

Louie Louie

Words & Music by Richard Berry (1955) As Performed By The Kingsmen Richard Berry & The Pharaohs (1955) – <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z-2CKsaq5r8</u> Rockin'Robin Roberts & The Wailers (1961) - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ihpGNoCreyg</u> The Kingsmen (April 6, 1963): <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AQMIjFDNjs4</u> Paul Revere & The Raiders (April 13, 1963) <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qiiDBb-Ur8c</u>

GCEA C	<mark>Introduction</mark> : C C C F F G G G F F C C C F F G G G F F
	C F G F C F Louie, Lou-ah-ay, oh no, said we gotta go, G F
F F	Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah C F G F C F G F Louie, Lou-ah-ay, oh baby, said we gotta go.
G	C F G F A fine little girl, she waitin' for me C F G F Me catch a ship a-cross the sea C F G F Me sail that ship ah all a-lone C F G F Me never think how I'll make it home.
Bari C O O	C F G F Louie, Lou-ah-ay, yeah, nah, nah, now, C F G F Said we gotta go, oh no, C F G F C F G F Said Louie, Lou-ah-ay, oh baby, said a we gotta go.
F • • • •	CFGFThree nights and days I sailed the seaCFGFMe think of girl ah constant-lyCFGFAh on that ship I dream she thereCFGFI smell the rose ah in her hair

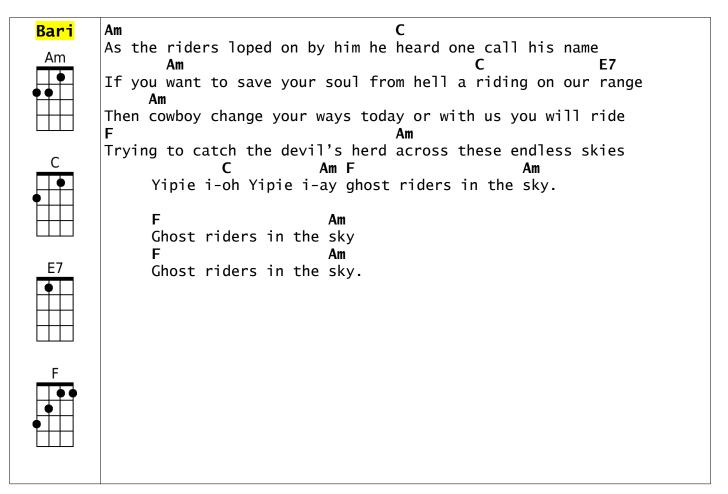
F GF С С F Louie, Lou-ah-ay, woah no, said we gotta go, G Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah CFGF F Said Louie, Lou-ah-ay, oh baby, said we gotta go. [Intro to optional Instrumental Verse: [OK, let's give it to 'em right now.] F F С G Me see Ja-maica ah moon a-bove С F G It won't be long me see me love G F С F Me take her in my arms a-gain С G I'll tell her I'll never leave again F GF С С F Louie, Lou-ah-ay, oh no, said we gotta go, G Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah С F Said Louie, Lou-ah-ay, woah baby, said we gotta go G F I said me gotta go now С Let's hustle on outta here C [HOLD] Let's go!

Note: This is an abridged version of the original song as performed by the Kingsmen (1963) based on a I IV V progression.

Ghost Riders In The Sky

Written by Stan Jones, 1948 Vaughan Monroe, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ais2uSUwIuY</u> Burl Ives, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j2klh2cTa_Q</u> Marty RoBbins, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V1xSYyMDaq4</u> Johnny Cash, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mynzbmrtp9I</u>

GCEA	Introduction: C Am F Am
Am • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	AmCAn old cowboy went riding out one dark and windy dayAmCAmCUpon a ridge he rested as he went along his wayAmWhen all at once a mighty herd of red-eyed cows he sawFPlowing through the ragged skies and up a cloudy drawCAmYipie i-oh Yipie i-ay ghost riders in the sky
E7 • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Am C Their brands were still on fire and their hooves were made of steel Am Their horns were black and shiny C E7 and their hot breath he could feel Am A bolt of fear went through him as they thundered through the sky F Am For he saw the riders coming hard and he heard their mournful cry C Am F Yipie i-oh Yipie i-ay ghost riders in the sky.
	Am Their faces gaunt their eyes were blurred C and their shirts all soaked with sweat Am C He's riding hard to catch that herd but he ain't caught 'em yet Am Cause they've got to ride forever on that range up in the sky F Cause they've got to ride forever on that range up in the sky F On horses snorting fire as they ride on hear their cry. C Am Yipie i-oh Yipie i-ay ghost riders in the sky.



Leaving On A Jet Plane

Words & Music by John Denver, 1966 Peter Paul & Mary (1967), <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zzVdEyHicz8</u> John Denver (1966, 1969), <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vLBKOcUbHR0</u>

GCEA С F All my bags are packed I'm ready to go C I'm standing here outside your door Dm **G7** С I hate to wake you up to say goodbye But the dawn is breakin' it's early morn The taxi's waitin' he's blowin' his horn С Dm **G7** Already I'm so lonesome I could cry. Dm Chorus: So kiss me and smile for me С Tell me that you'll wait for me С Dm **G7** Hold me like you'll never let me go I'm leavin' on a jet plane С Don't know when I'll be back again C Dm **G7** Oh babe I hate to go. С F There's so many times I've let you down С So many times I've played around С Dm G7 I tell you now they don't mean a thing Ev'ry place I go I'll think of you Ev'ry song I sing I'll sing for you **G7** Dm When I come back I'll wear your wedding ring. Chorus

Bari	C F
С	Now the time has come to leave you
	C F
•	One more time let me kiss you C Dm G7
	Then close your eyes, I'll be on my way
	C F
F	Dream about the days to come
	C F
	When I won't have to leave alone
	C Dm $G7$
	About the times I won't have to say. Chorus
Dm	G7 C
	I hate to go
G7	
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Performance Note. Where the G7 chord occurs at the end of a line in the verses and the chorus, you can also use a V - V7 turnaround, that is, the G - G7 chord combination.

In some arrangements, the Am chord (vi) is substituted for the Dm (ii) chord.

Sweet Home Alabama

Words: Ronnie Van Zant

Music: Gary Rossington & Ed King

Recorded by Lynyrd Skynyrd; first appeared in 1974 on their second album, "Second Helping." <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5MhOZt5-Jl8</u>

GCEA	Intro: G F C C (2x)
G F F	G F C Big wheels keep on turning G F C Carry me home to see my kin G F C Singing songs about the Southland G F C [Spoken:] I miss ole Bamy once again and I think it's a sin G F C C (2x)
	G F C Well, I heard Mister Young sing about her G F C Well, I heard ole Neil put her down G F C Well, I hope Neil Young will re-member G F C Well, I hope Neil Young will re-member G F C A southern man don't need him a-round anyhow. Chorus: G F C G F C Sweet home Ala-bama, Where the skies are so blue G F C G F C Sweet home Ala-bama, Lord, I'm coming home to you.
	G F C B♭ F G In Birming-ham they love the Gov'nor Boo boo boo G F C Now we all did what we could do G F C Now Water-gate does not bother me G F C [Spoken:] Does your conscience bother you? tell the truth. Chorus.

Bari	G F C
G	Now Muscle Shoals has got the Swampers
	G F C And they've been known to pick a song or two
	G F C
	Lord they get me off so much
	G F C [Spoken:]
	They pick me up when I'm feeling blue now how about you?
	GFCGFC
	Sweet home Ala-bama, Where the skies are so blue
	G F C G F C Sweet home Ala-bama, Lord, I'm coming home to you.
Bb	

Note. This song is in the key of C, not the key of G as we might expect. It has the somewhat unusual progression of V IV I. None of the three men who wrote this song was originally from Alabama.

he following is an excerpt from an interview by CJ Lotz with Gary Rossington in *Garden & Gun*, August 13, 2015, <u>https://gardenandgun.com/articles/the-story-behind-sweet-home-alabama/</u>

The lyrics were a response to a Neil Young song, right?

Everyone thought it was about Neil Young, but it was more about Alabama. We had toured there, going all around playing clubs and National Guard armories. Everyone was real nice. When we were out in the country driving all the time, we would listen to the radio. Neil Young had "Southern Man," and it was kind of cutting the South down. And so Ronnie just said, We need to show people how the real Alabama is.

We loved Neil Young and all the music he's given the world. We still love him today. It wasn't cutting him down, it was cutting the song he wrote about the South down. Ronnie painted a picture everyone liked. Because no matter where you're from, sweet home Alabama or sweet home Florida or sweet home Arkansas, you can relate.

Since I Met You Baby

Written as a 12-bar blues song and recorded by Ivory Joe Hunter (1956) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eSMP_VvzxJo

GCEA	<mark>Intro</mark> : C F G7 C	<mark>Bari</mark>
C F	CFC F C1. Since I met you baby my whole life has changedFC F CSince I met you baby my whole life has changedGG7C F G7And everybody tells me that I am not the same.	C • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
•	C F C C F C 2. I don't need nobody to tell my troubles to F C F C	•
G	I don't need nobody to tell my troubles to G G7 CFG7 Cause since I met you baby all I need is you. C FC	G
G7	3. Since I met you baby I'm a happy man F CFC Since I met you baby I'm a happy man G G7 CFG7 I'm gonna try to please you in every way I can.	G7
	(<mark>Repeat first verse</mark>)	
	G G7 C F C And everybody tells me that I am not the same.	

Note. At the end of the first line of each verse an optional transition is "C – C7."

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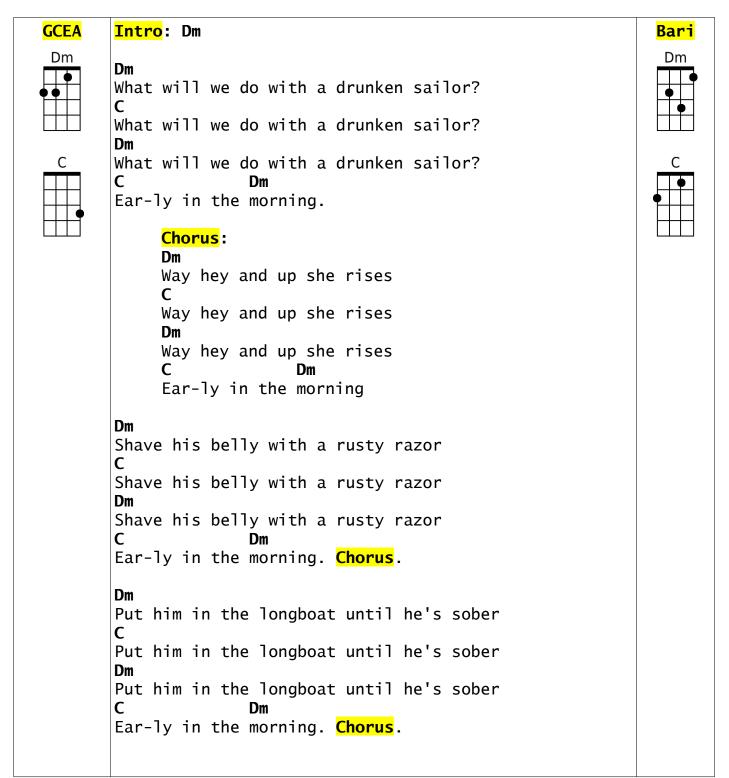
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<mark>GCEA</mark> F	F Intro : / / / / / / (Count: 1 2 3 4, 1 2 3)	<mark>Bari</mark> F
	F He's got the whole world in his hands C7 He's got the whole wide world in his hands F He's got the whole world in his hands C7 F He's got the whole world in his hands.	
	F He's got the little bitty baby in his hands C7 He's got the little bitty baby in his hands F He's got the little bitty baby in his hands. C7 He's got the whole world in his hands.	
	F He's got you and me, brother, in his hands C7 He's got you and me, sister, in his hands F He's got you and me, brother, in his hands. C7 He's got the whole world in his hands. [Repeat First Verse]	

What Will We Do With a Drunken Sailor?

Traditional Sea Shanty in Dorian Mode The Irish Rovers, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qGyPuey-1Jw</u>

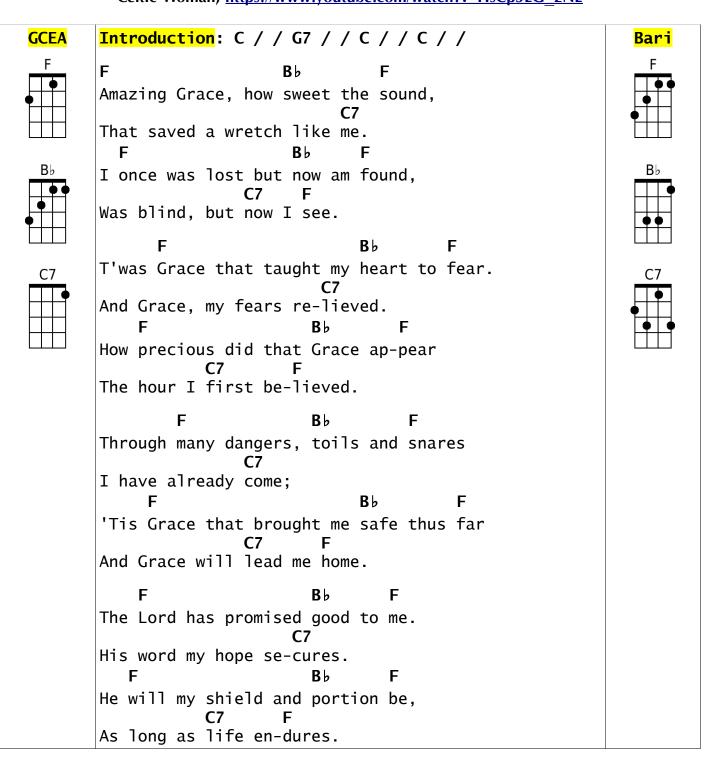


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Dm
Stick him in the scuppers with a hosepipe on him
С
Stick him in the scuppers with a hosepipe on him
Dm
Stick him in the scuppers with a hosepipe on him
              Dm
Ear-ly in the morning. Chorus.
Dm
Put him in the bed with the captain's daughter
Put him in the bed with the captain's daughter
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Ear-ly in the morning. Chorus.
Dm
Make him sing it with a ukulele,
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That's what we do with a drunken sailor
That's what we do with a drunken sailor
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Note: The verse "Make him sing it with a ukulele" was added by Doug Anderson, Decatur, Ala., Oct 28, 2018.

Amazing Grace

Words: Rev. John Newton, 1779 Tune: "New Britain" Key of F – ³/₄ Time Celtic Woman, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HsCp5LG_zNE</u>

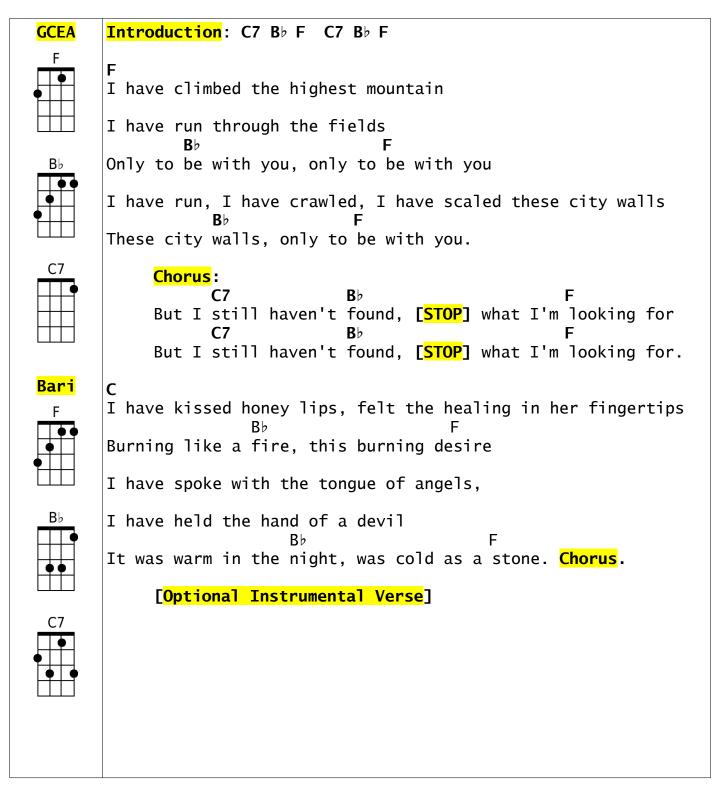


Chapter Two: Songs in the Keys of F and D Minor

F B۶ F Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail, **C7** And mortal life shall cease, F B۶ F I shall possess within the veil, F **C7** A life of joy and peace. F B۶ F When we've been here ten thousand years **C7** Bright shining as the sun. Bb F We've no less days to sing God's praise **C7** Than when we've first be-gun. F B۶ F Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, **C7** That saved a wretch like me. B۶ F F I once was lost but now am found, **C7** F Was blind, but now I see.

I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For

Lyrics by Bono; Music by the group U2 (1987) U2: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O_ISAntOom0</u> (Capo 1st)



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С
I believe in the kingdom come,
Then all the colors will bleed into one
        Rb
Bleed into one, yes I'm still running
You broke the bonds and you loosed the chains
                                      Rb
Carried the cross of my shame, of my shame
You know I believed it.
           C7
                         B۶
     But I still haven't found, [STOP] what I'm looking for
           C7
                          Bb
     But I still haven't found, [STOP] what I'm looking for
           C7
                         Bb
     But I still haven't found, [STOP] what I'm looking for
           C7
                                                          C7 F
     But I still haven't found, [STOP] what I'm looking for.
     (repeat to fade)
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Jambalaya

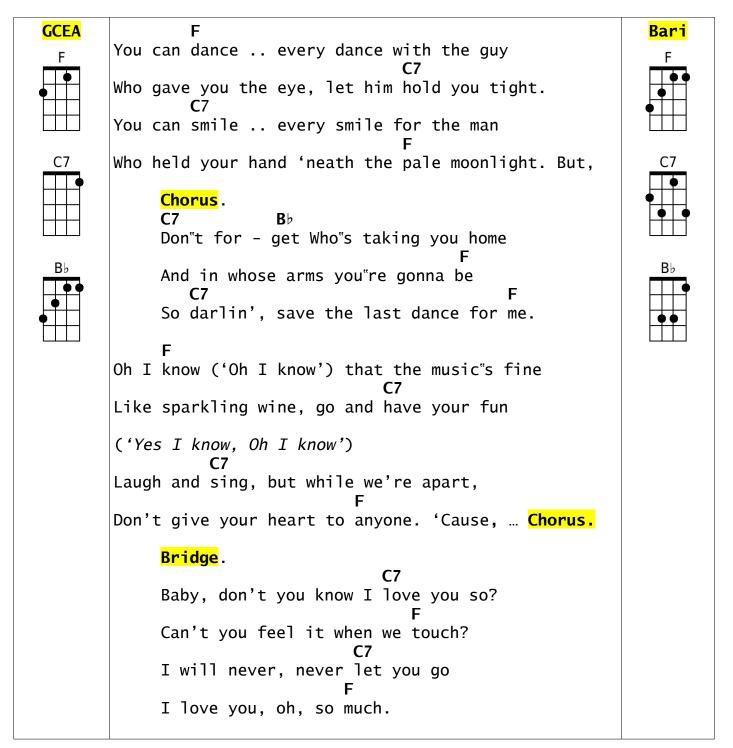
Written and Recorded by Hank Williams (1952) Hank Williams - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_JX4SQAS9w0</u> Capo 5

GCEA	<pre>Intro: F / / / C / / / C7 / / [Stop] (Last line of Chorus)</pre>
F •	F C Good-bye Joe, me gotta go, me oh my oh C7 F Me gotta go pole the pirogue down the bayou
C	My Yvonne, the sweetest one, me oh my oh C7 F Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou [<mark>Stop</mark>]
	<mark>Chorus: [Tacet]</mark> F C Jamba-laya and a crawfish pie and file' gumbo F
	'Cause tonight I'm gonna see my ma cher amio C
Bari	Pick guitar, fill fruit jar and be gay-o C C7 F Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou [Stop]
F •	[Tacet] F C Thibo-deaux, Fontainenot, the place is buzzin' C7 F
	Kinfolk come to see Yvonne by the dozen C
C •	Dress in style and go hog wild, me oh my oh C7 F Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou. [<mark>Stop</mark>] <mark>Chorus</mark>

[<mark>Tacet</mark>]
F C
Settle down, far from town, get me a pirogue C7 F
And I'll catch all the fish in the bayou C
Swap my mon to buy Yvonne what she need-o
C7 F
Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou. [Stop] Chorus
Outro:
C C7 F
Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou.

Save the Last Dance For Me

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F You can dance ('You can dance'), go and carry on C7 Till the night is gone and it's time to go ('You can dance',) C7 If he asks .. if you're all alone, Can he take you home, F You must tell him "no." 'Cause ... Chorus.

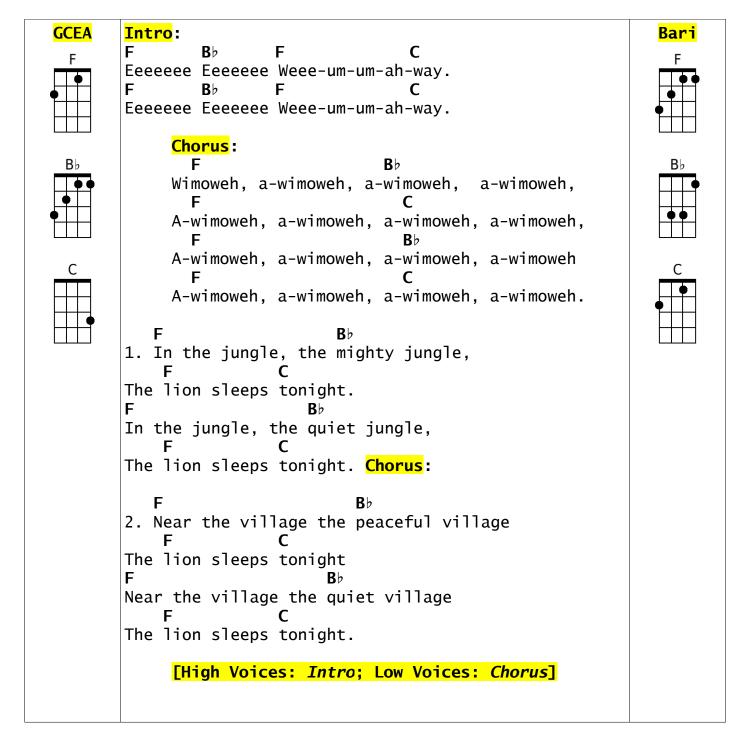
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The Tokens: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8E8xMcXml9E



F B♭ 3. Hush my darling don't fear my darling F C The lion sleeps tonight F B♭ Hush my darling don't fear my darling F C The lion sleeps tonight. [High Voices: Intro; Low Voices: Chorus]

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Louie Louie

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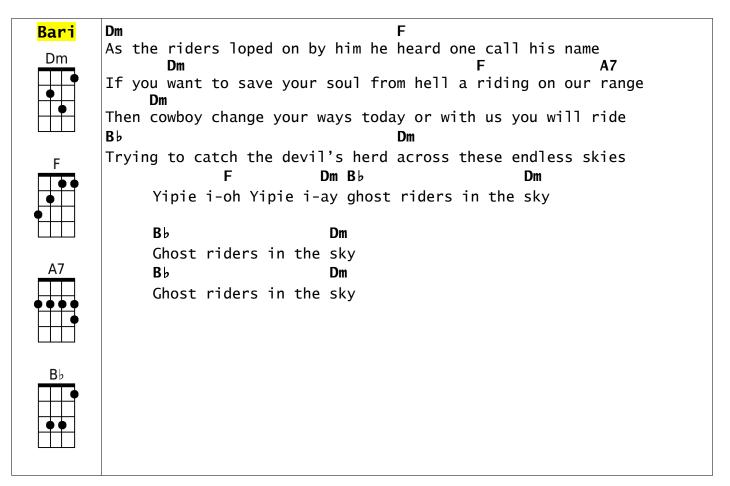
<mark>GCEA</mark> F	F F Bb Bb C C C Bb Bb F F Bb Bb C C C Bb Bb
Bb Bb	FBbCBbFBbLouie, Lou-ah-ay, oh no, said we gotta go, CBbYeah, yeah, yeah, yeahFBbCBbFBbCBbLouie, Lou-ah-ay, oh baby, said we gotta go.
•	F Bb C Bb A fine little girl, she waitin' for me F Bb C Bb
C	Me catch a ship a-cross the sea F Bb C Bb Me sail that ship ah all a-lone F Bb C Bb Me never think how I'll make it home.
Bari F •	F B♭ C B♭ Louie, Lou-ah-ay, yeah, nah, nah, now, F B♭ C B♭ Said we gotta go, oh no, F B♭ C B♭ F B♭ C B♭ Said Louie, Lou-ah-ay, oh baby, said a we gotta go.
	F B♭ C B♭ Three nights and days I sailed the sea F B♭ C F B♭ C B♭ Me think of girl ah constant-ly F B♭ C F B♭ C B♭ Ah on that ship I dream she there F B♭ C
C •	I smell the rose ah in her hair

F F B۶ С B۶ Bb Louie, Lou-ah-ay, woah no, said we gotta go, С B۶ Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah F B۶ B۶ F Bb C Bb С Said Louie, Lou-ah-ay, oh baby, said we gotta go. [Intro to optional Instrumental Verse: [OK, let's give it to 'em right now.] F Bb С B۶ Me see Ja-maica ah moon a-bove F B۶ С B۶ It won't be long me see me love С F B۶ B۶ Me take her in my arms a-gain F B۶ Bb С I'll tell her I'll never leave again F B۶ C B♭ F B۶ Louie, Lou-ah-ay, oh no, said we gotta go, С Bb Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah С B۶ F B۶ F B۶ Said Louie, Lou-ah-ay, woah baby, said we gotta go С B۶ I said me gotta go now F B۶ С B۶ Let's hustle on outta here F Let's go!

Ghost Riders In The Sky

Written by Stan Jones, 1948 Vaughan Monroe, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ais2uSUwIuY</u> Burl Ives, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j2klh2cTa_Q</u> Marty RoBbins, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V1xSYyMDaq4</u> Johnny Cash, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mynzbmrtp91</u>

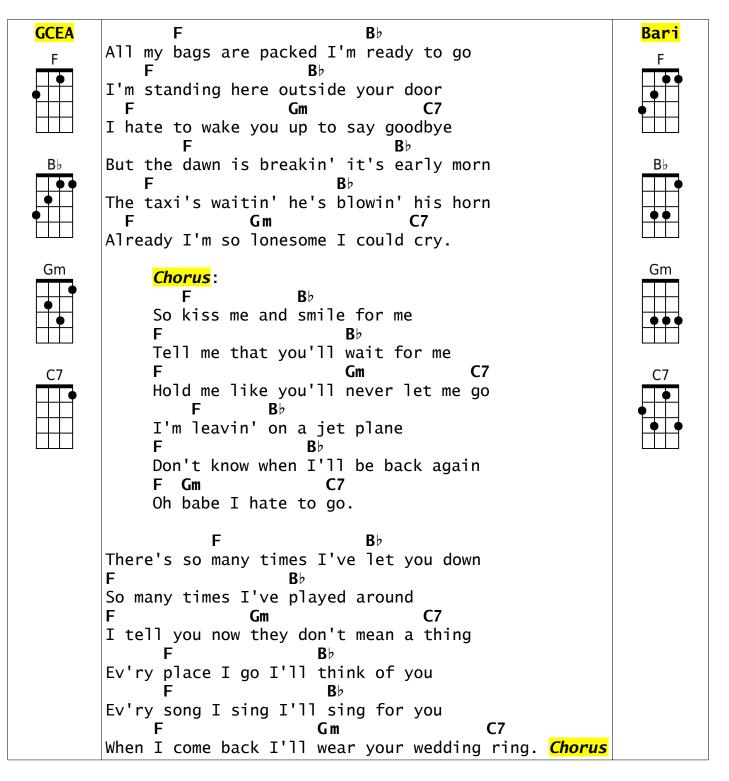
GCEA	Intro: F Dm Bb Dm
Dm ••	Dm F An old cowboy went riding out one dark and windy day Dm F A7 Upon a ridge he rested as he went along his way
F •	Dm When all at once a mighty herd of red-eyed cows he saw Bb Dm Plowing through the ragged skies and up a cloudy draw F Dm Bb Dm Yipie i-oh Yipie i-ay ghost riders in the sky.
	Dm F Their brands were still on fire and their hooves were made of steel Dm Their horns were black and shiny F A7 and their hot breath he could feel Dm A bolt of fear went through him as they thundered through the sky B♭ Dm For he saw the riders coming hard and he heard their mournful cry F Dm B♭ Yipie i-oh Yipie i-ay ghost riders in the sky.
	Dm Their faces gaunt their eyes were blurred F and their shirts all soaked with sweat Dm F Dm F He's riding hard to catch that herd but he ain't caught 'em yet Dm Cause they've got to ride forever on that range up in the sky Bb Dm On horses snorting fire as they ride on hear their cry. F Dm Bb Yipie i-oh Yipie i-ay ghost riders in the sky.



Leaving On A Jet Plane

Words & Music by John Denver, 1966

Peter Paul and Mary (1967) - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zzVdEyHicz8</u> John Denver (1966, 1969) – <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vLBKOcUbHR0</u>



F Bb Now the time has come to leave you F B۶ One more time let me kiss you **C7** F Gm Then close your eyes, I'll be on my way F B۶ Dream about the days to come Bb When I won't have to leave alone F Gm **C7** About the times I won't have to say. Chorus F I hate to go

Performance Note. Where the C7 chord occurs at the end of a line in the verses and the chorus, you can also use a V - V7 turnaround, that is, the C - C7 chord combination.

In some arrangements, the Dm chord (vi) is substituted for the Gm (ii) chord.

Sweet Home Alabama

Words: Ronnie Van Zant

Music: Gary Rossington & Ed King

Recorded by Lynyrd Skynyrd; first appeared in 1974 on their second album, "Second Helping." <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5MhOZt5-Jl8</u>

GCEA	Intro: C B♭ F F (2x)
	C Bb F Big wheels keep on turning C Bb F Carry me home to see my kin C Bb F Singing songs about the Southland C Bb F [Spoken:] I miss ole Bamy once again and I think it's a sin.
	C Bb F F (2x)
	C B_{\flat} F Well, I heard Mister Young sing about her C B_{\flat} F Well, I heard ole Neil put her down C B_{\flat} F Well, I hope Neil Young will re-member C B_{\flat} F A southern man don't need him a-round anyhow. Chorus: C B_{\flat} F C B_{\flat} F Sweet home Ala-bama, Where the skies are so blue C B_{\flat} F C B_{\flat} F Sweet home Ala-bama, Where the skies are so blue C B_{\flat} F C B_{\flat} F Sweet home Ala-bama, Lord, I'm coming home to you.
	C B♭ F E♭ B♭ C In Birming-ham they love the Gov'nor (Boo boo boo). C B♭ F Now we all did what we could do C B♭ F Now Water-gate does not bother me C B♭ F [Spoken:] Does your conscience bother you? tell the truth. Chorus

Bari	C Bb F
С	Now Muscle Shoals has got the Swampers
	$C \qquad \qquad B\flat \qquad F$
•	And they've been known to pick a song or two C Bb F
	Lord they get me off so much
	C Bb F [Spoken:]
Bb	They pick me up when I'm feeling blue now how about you?
	C Bb F C Bb F
	Sweet home Ala-bama, Where the skies are so blue
	C Bb F C Bb F
F	Sweet home Ala-bama, Lord, I'm coming home to you.
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Note. This song is in the key of F, not the key of C as we might expect. It has the somewhat unusual progression of V IV I. None of the three men who wrote this song was originally from Alabama.

he following is an excerpt from an interview by CJ Lotz with Gary Rossington in *Garden & Gun*, August 13, 2015, <u>https://gardenandgun.com/articles/the-story-behind-sweet-home-alabama/</u>

The lyrics were a response to a Neil Young song, right?

Everyone thought it was about Neil Young, but it was more about Alabama. We had toured there, going all around playing clubs and National Guard armories. Everyone was real nice. When we were out in the country driving all the time, we would listen to the radio. Neil Young had "Southern Man," and it was kind of cutting the South down. And so Ronnie just said, We need to show people how the real Alabama is.

We loved Neil Young and all the music he's given the world. We still love him today. It wasn't cutting him down, it was cutting the song he wrote about the South down. Ronnie painted a picture everyone liked. Because no matter where you're from, sweet home Alabama or sweet home Florida or sweet home Arkansas, you can relate.

Since I Met You Baby

Written as a 12-bar blues song and recorded by Ivory Joe Hunter (1956) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eSMP_VvzxJo

GCEA	<mark>Intro</mark> : F B♭ C C7	<mark>Bari</mark>
	F $B\flat$ $F B\flat F$ 1. Since I met you baby my whole life has changed $B\flat$ $F B\flat F$ Since I met you baby my whole life has changedCC7FB\b C7And everybody tells me that I am not the same.	
•	F $B\flat$ F $B\flat$ F2. I don't need nobody to tell my troubles to $B\flat$ FF	••
C	I don't need nobody to tell my troubles to C FBb C7 Cause since I met you baby all I need is you.	C •
	F B♭ F B♭ F 3. Since I met you baby I'm a happy man	
	B♭ F Since I met you baby I'm a happy man C C7 F B♭ C7 I'm gonna try to please you in every way I can.	
	(<mark>Repeat first verse</mark>)	
	C C F $B \triangleright F$ And everybody tells me that I am not the same.	

Note. At the end of the first line of each verse an optional transition is "F - F7."

Songs In The Keys Of G & E Minor

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He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

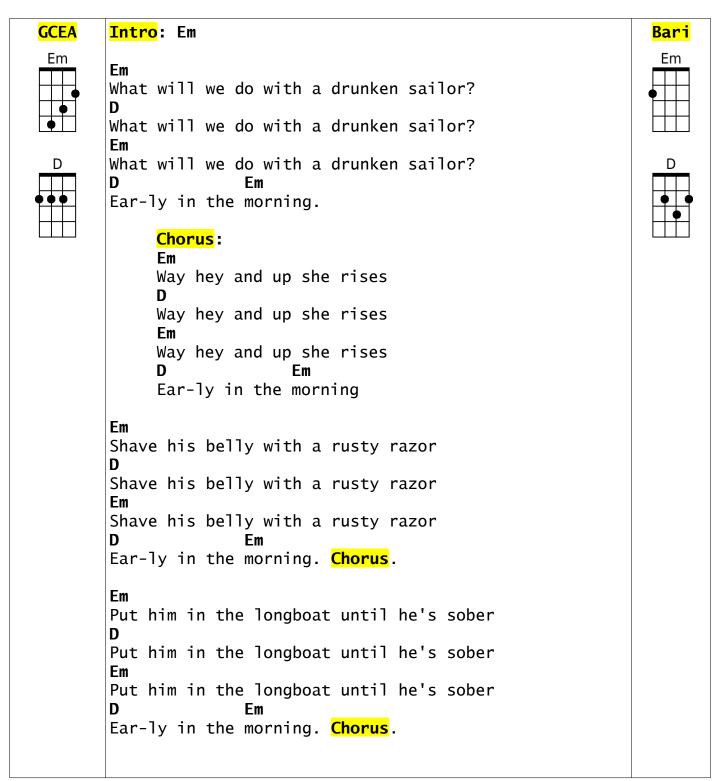
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GCEA	Intro: G / / / / / / (Count: 1 2 3 4, 1 2 3)	<mark>Bari</mark>
G	G	G
•••	He's got the whole world in his hands D7	
	He's got the whole wide world in his hands G	
D7	He's got the whole world in his hands D7 G	D7
	He's got the whole world in his hands.	
	G	
	He's got the little bitty baby in his hands D7	
	He's got the little bitty baby in his hands G	
	He's got the little bitty baby in his hands D7 G	
	He's got the whole world in his hands.	
	G	
	He's got you and me, brother, in his hands D7	
	He's got you and me, sister, in his hands G	
	He's got you and me, brother, in his hands D7 G	
	He's got the whole world in his hands.	
	G He's got a little ukulele in his hands D7	
	He's got a little ukulele in his hands G	
	He's got a little ukulele in his hands D7 G	
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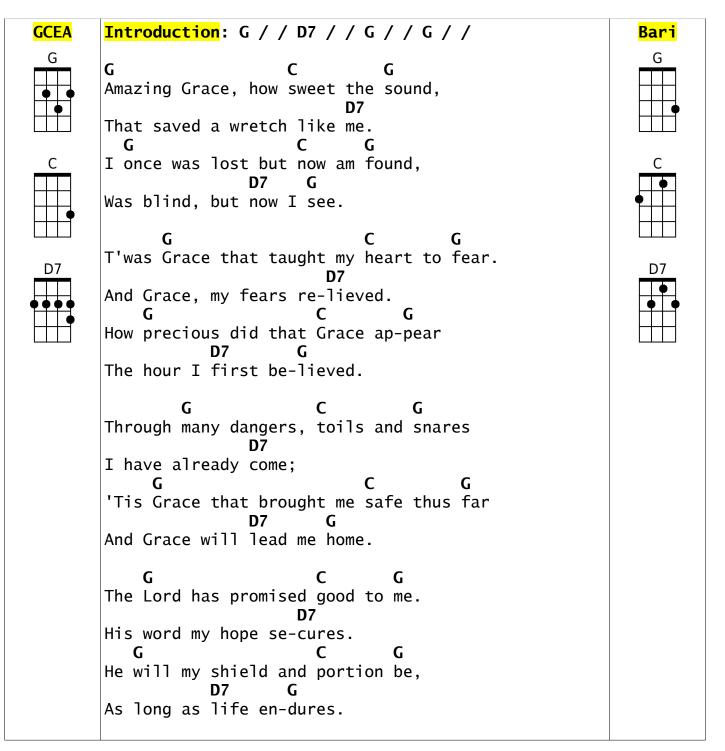


Em Stick him in the scuppers with a hosepipe on him Stick him in the scuppers with a hosepipe on him Em Stick him in the scuppers with a hosepipe on him Em Ear-ly in the morning. Chorus. Fm Put him in the bed with the captain's daughter Put him in the bed with the captain's daughter Em Put him in the bed with the captain's daughter Fm Ear-ly in the morning. Chorus. Em Make him sing it with a ukulele, Make him sing it with a ukulele, Em Make him sing it with a ukulele, Fm Ear-ly in the morning. Chorus. Em That's what we do with a drunken sailor That's what we do with a drunken sailor Em That's what we do with a drunken sailor Em Ear-ly in the morning. Chorus.

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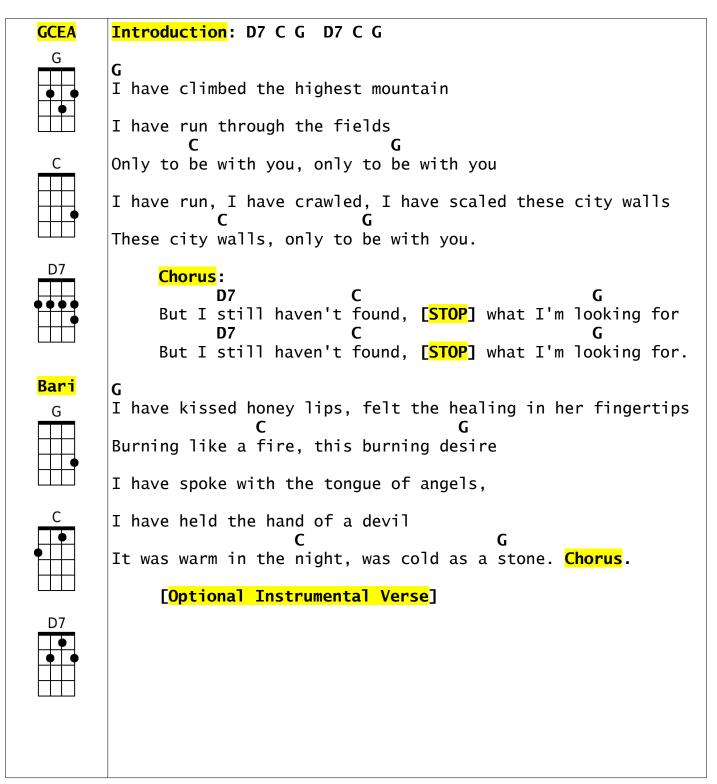


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Jambalaya

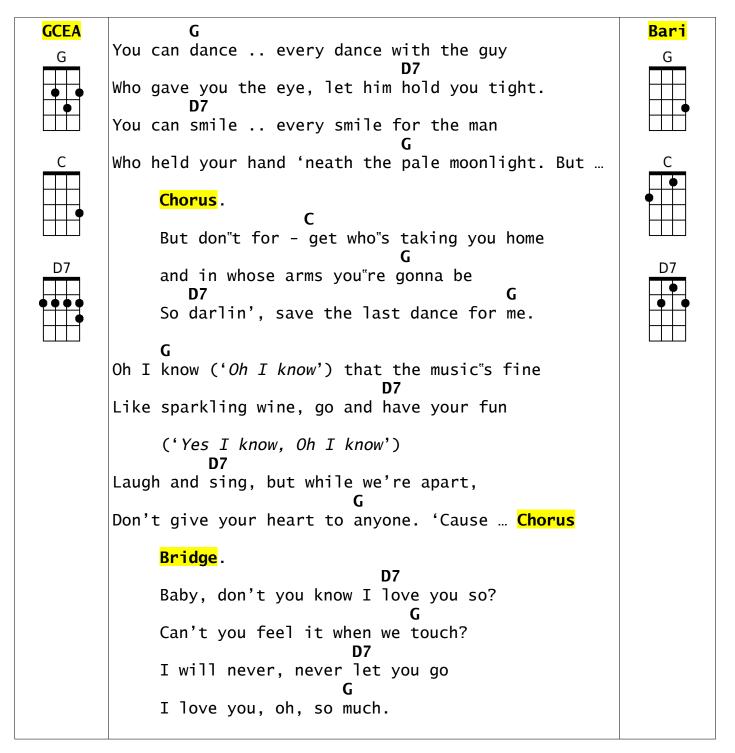
Written and Recorded by Hank Williams (1952) Hank Williams - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_JX4SQAS9w0</u> Capo 5

GCEA	<pre>Intro: D / / / D7 / / / G / / / [Stop] (Last line of Chorus)</pre>
G	G D Good-bye Joe, me gotta go, me oh my oh D7 G Me gotta go pole the pirogue down the bayou D My Yvonne, the sweetest one, me oh my oh D7 G
	Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou [Stop] Chorus: [Tacet] G Jamba-laya and a crawfish pie and file' gumbo G 'Cause tonight I'm gonna see my ma cher amio D Pick guitar, fill fruit jar and be gay-o D Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou [Stop]
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	D7 G
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	D
_	Swap my mon to buy Yvonne what she need-o
D	
	Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou. [Stop] Chorus
	Outro:
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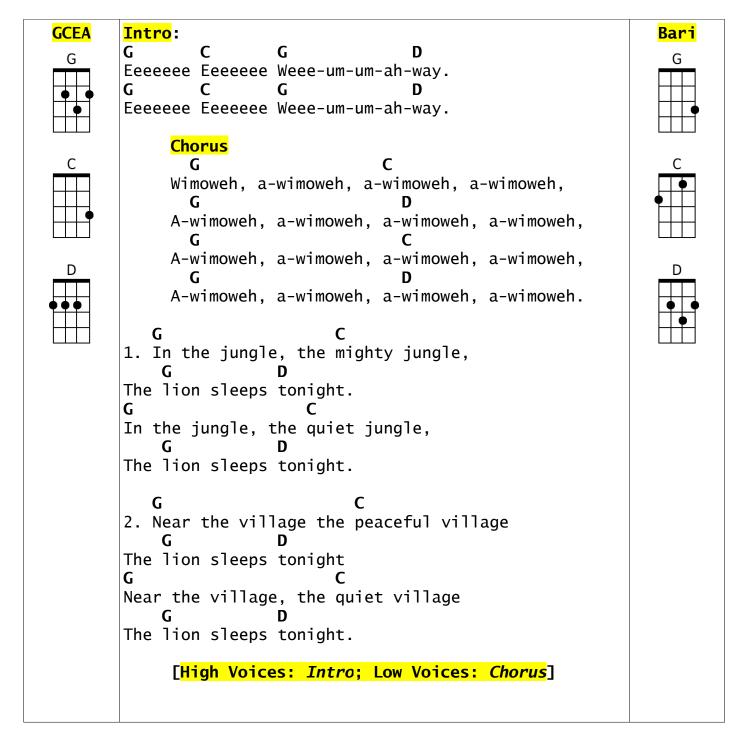


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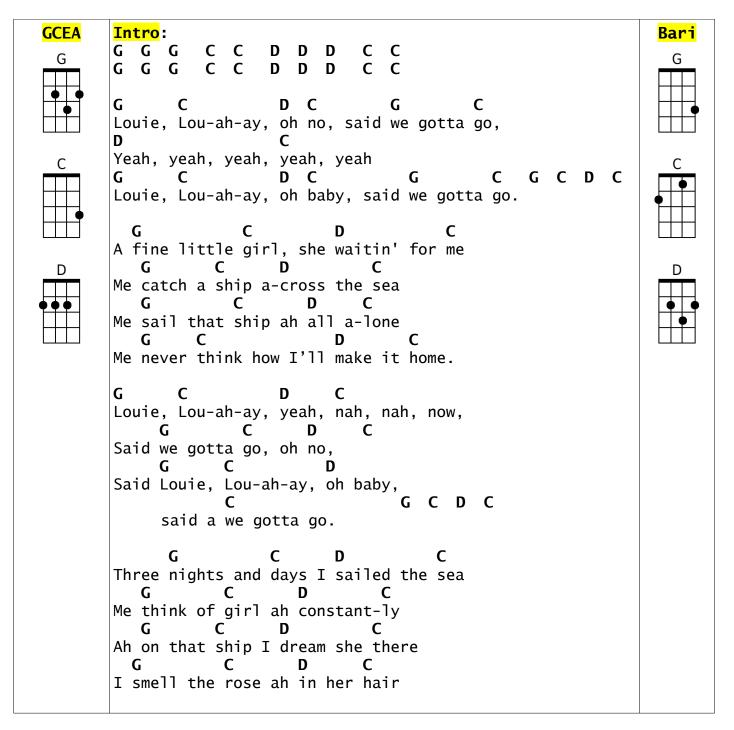


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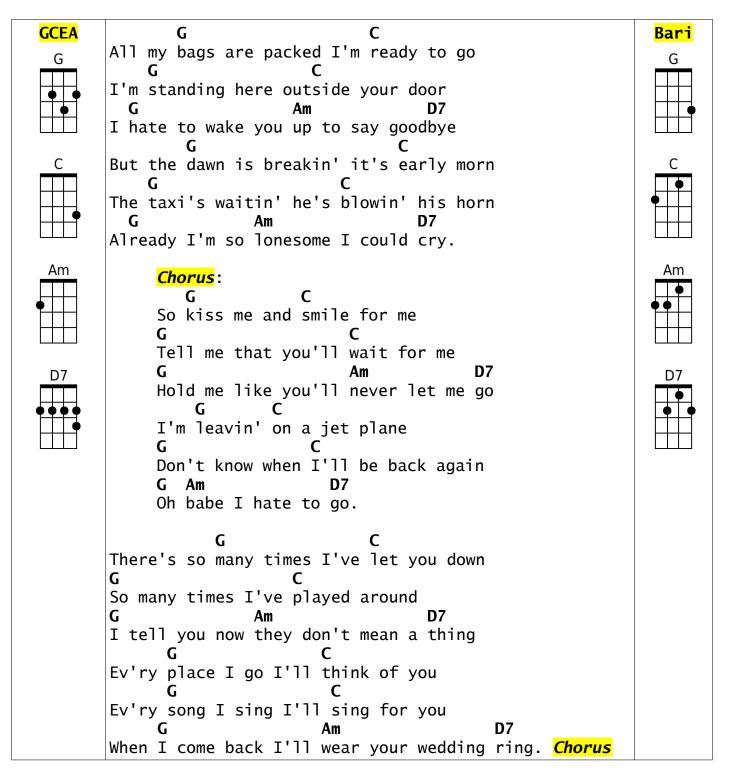
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GCEA	Introduction: G Em C Em
Em • •	Em G An old cowboy went riding out one dark and windy day Em G B7 Upon a ridge he rested as he went along his way Em
G	When all at once a mighty herd of red-eyed cows he saw C Em Plowing through the ragged skies and up a cloudy draw G Em C Em Yipie i-oh Yipie i-ay ghost riders in the sky
	Em G Their brands were still on fire and their hooves were made of steel Em Their horns were black and shiny G B7 and their hot breath he could feel Em A bolt of fear went through him as they thundered through the sky C Em For he saw the riders coming hard and he heard their mournful cry G Em Yipie i-oh Yipie i-ay ghost riders in the sky
	Em Their faces gaunt their eyes were blurred G and their shirts all soaked with sweat Em He's riding hard to catch that herd but he ain't caught 'em yet Em Cause they've got to ride forever on that range up in the sky C C C C C C C C C C C C C

Bari	Em G
Em	As the riders loped on by him he heard one call his name
Em	Em G B7
	If you want to save your soul from hell a riding on our range
● ↓↓↓↓	Em
	Then cowboy change your ways today or with us you will ride
	C Em
	Trying to catch the devil's herd across these endless skies
G	G Em C Em
	Yipie i-oh Yipie i-ay ghost riders in the sky
	The four the ay ghose traces in the sky
	C Em
	Ghost riders in the sky,
	C Em
B7	Ghost riders in the sky.
	Glose Frders in the sky.
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Leaving on a Jet Plane

Words & Music by John Denver, 1966 Peter Paul & Mary (1967) - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zzVdEyHicz8</u> John Denver (1966, 1969) – <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vLBKOcUbHR0</u>



С G Now the time has come to leave you G С One more time let me kiss you D7 G Am Then close your eyes, I'll be on my way G С Dream about the days to come G When I won't have to leave alone D7 G Am About the times I won't have to say. Chorus G I hate to go.

Performance Note. Where the D7 chord occurs at the end of a line in the verses and the chorus, you can also use a V - V7 turnaround, that is, the D - D7 chord combination.

In some arrangements, the Em chord (vi) is substituted for the Am (ii) chord.

Sweet Home Alabama

Words: Ronnie Van Zant

Music: Gary Rossington & Ed King

Recorded by Lynyrd Skynyrd; first appeared in 1974 on their second album, "Second Helping." <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5MhOZt5-Jl8</u>

GCEA	Intro: D C G G (2x)
G F F	D C G Big wheels keep on turning D C G Carry me home to see my kin D C G Singing songs about the Southland D C G [Spoken:] I miss ole Bamy once again and I think it's a sin.
	D C G G (2x)
	D C G Well, I heard Mister Young sing about her D C G Well, I heard ole Neil put her down D C G Well, I hope Neil Young will re-member D C G A southern man don't need him a-round anyhow Chorus: D C G D C G Sweet home Ala-bama, Where the skies are so blue
	Sweet home Ala-bama, Lord, I'm coming home to you.
	D C G F C D In Birming-ham they love the Gov'nor Boo boo boo D C G Now we all did what we could do D C G Now Water-gate does not bother me D C G [Spoken:] Does your conscience bother you? tell the truth. Chorus.

Bari	D C G
G	Now Muscle Shoals has got the Swampers
	And they've been known to pick a song or two
	D C G Lord they get me off so much
F	D C G [Spoken:] They pick me up when I'm feeling blue <i>now how about you?</i>
	D C G D C G Sweet home Ala-bama, Where the skies are so blue
с	D C G D C G Sweet home Ala-bama, Lord, I'm coming home to you.
•	
Bb ••	

Note. Although we would expect this song to be in the key of D, it is in the key of G. The song has the somewhat unusual progression of V IV I. None of the three men who wrote this song was originally from Alabama.

he following is an excerpt from an interview by CJ Lotz with Gary Rossington in *Garden & Gun*, August 13, 2015, <u>https://gardenandgun.com/articles/the-story-behind-sweet-home-alabama/</u>

The lyrics were a response to a Neil Young song, right?

Everyone thought it was about Neil Young, but it was more about Alabama. We had toured there, going all around playing clubs and National Guard armories. Everyone was real nice. When we were out in the country driving all the time, we would listen to the radio. Neil Young had "Southern Man," and it was kind of cutting the South down. And so Ronnie just said, We need to show people how the real Alabama is.

We loved Neil Young and all the music he's given the world. We still love him today. It wasn't cutting him down, it was cutting the song he wrote about the South down. Ronnie painted a picture everyone liked. Because no matter where you're from, sweet home Alabama or sweet home Florida or sweet home Arkansas, you can relate.

Since I Met You Baby

Written as a 12-bar blues song and recorded by Ivory Joe Hunter (1956) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eSMP_VvzxJo

		 _
GCEA	Intro: G C D D7	Bari
G		G
	1. Since I met you baby my whole life has changed	
$\bullet \bullet$	C G C G	
	Since I met you baby my whole life has changed	│
	$D \qquad D7 \qquad G C D7$	
6	And everybody tells me that I am not the same.	C
	G C GCG	
		│ ┟┼╀┤
	2. I don't need nobody to tell my troubles to C GCG	
	I don't need nobody to tell my troubles to	
	D D D D D D C C D	
D	Cause since I met you baby all I need is you.	D
	cause since i met you baby all i need is you.	
	G C G C G	│
	3. Since I met you baby I'm a happy man	│
D7	Since I met you baby I'm a happy man	D7
	D D D D D D G C D	
	I'm gonna try to please you in every way I can.	▏▕▎▎▎▎
	(<mark>Repeat first verse</mark>)	
	D D7 G C G	
	And everybody tells me that I am not the same.	

Note. At the end of the first line of each verse an optional transition is "G – G7."

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Chord Chart for C Tuning (CGEA) Soprano, Concert and Tenor Ukuleles

Key of C

Ι	ii	iii	IV	V	V7	vi	vii	vii dim
C	Dm ••	Em •	F •	G	G7	Am • • • •	Bm •••	

Key of A Minor (Am), the relative minor of the major key of C.

i	ii dim	III	iv	v	VI	VII
Am •	B° •	C	Dm ••	Em •	F P	G

Key of F

Ι	ii	iii	IV	V	V7	vi	vii	vii dim
F •	Gm	Am • • • •		C	C7	Dm ••	Em •	E° •

Key of D Minor (Dm), the relative minor of the major key of F.

i	ii dim	III	iv	v	VI	VII
	E° •	F P P	Gm	Am •		C C

Key of G

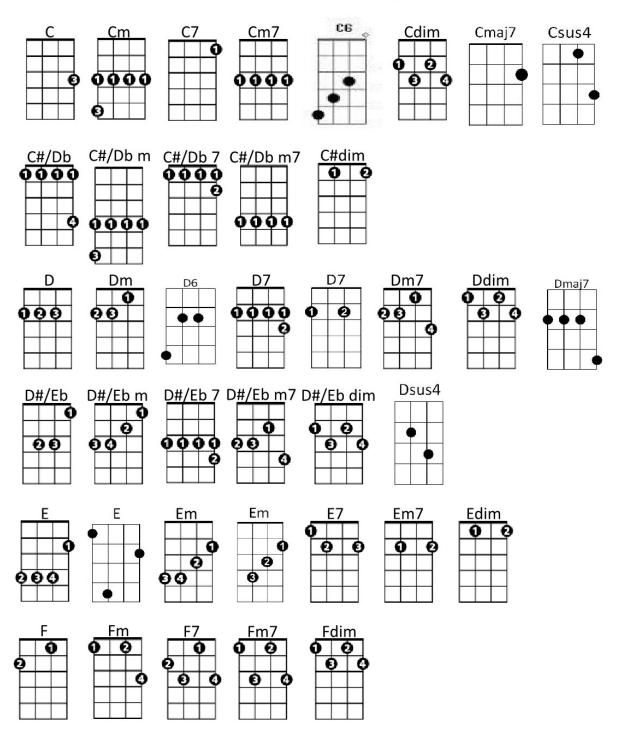
Ι	ii	iii	IV	V	V7	vi	vii	vii dim
G	Am •	Bm •••	C L L			Em •	F≢m ● ●	F‡°

Key of E Minor (Em), the relative minor of the major key of G.

i	ii	III	iv	v	VI	VII
Em • •	F#°	G	Am •	Bm •••	C	

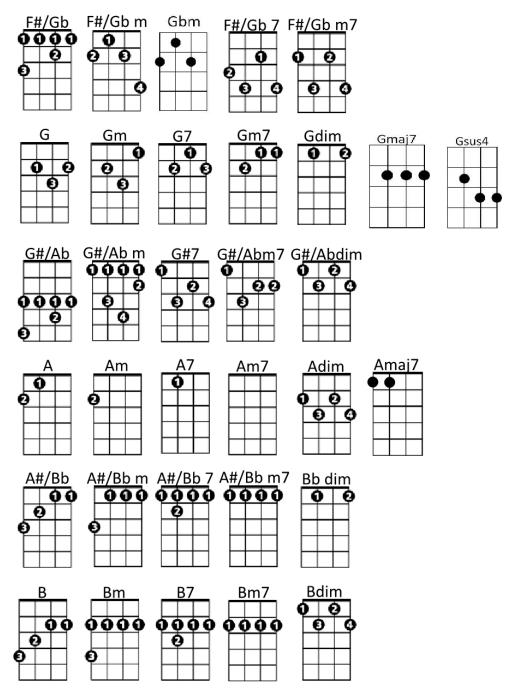
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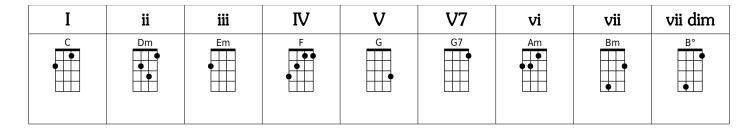


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Chord Chart for G Tuning (DGBE) Baritone Ukuleles

Note that some companies make strings that allow the Tenor ukulele to be put into G Tuning.

Key of C



Key of A Minor (Am), the relative minor of the major key of C.

i	ii dim	III	iv	v	VI	VII
Am ••	B° •		Dm • •	Em •	F P P	G

Key of F

Ι	ii	iii	IV	V	V7	vi	vii	vii dim
F •	Gm	Am ••		C •	C7	Dm •	Em • • •	

Key of D Minor (Dm), the relative minor of the major key of F.

i	ii dim	III	iv	v	VI	VII
Dm • •	2 • • • •	F •	Gm	Am ••		C •

Key of G

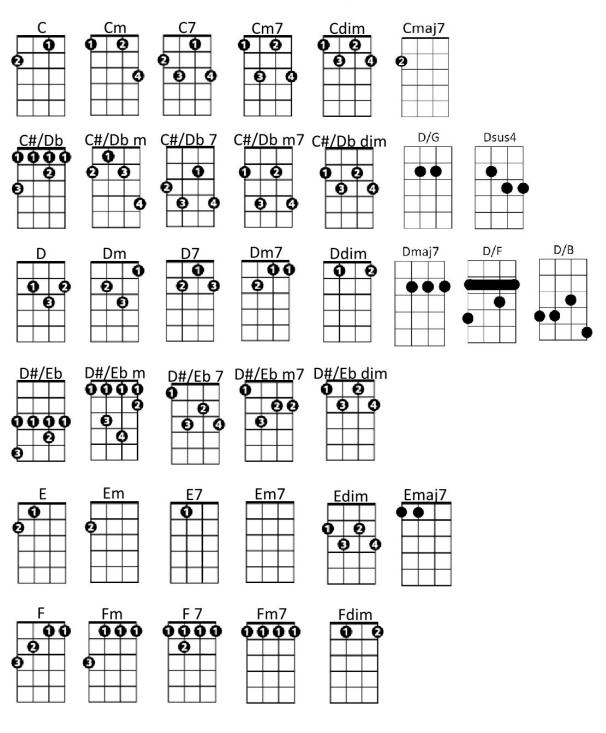
Ι	ii	iii	IV	V	V7	vi	vii	vii dim
G	Am ••	Bm	C •	D • •		Em • · · · ·	F≢m ●●●	F#°

Key of E Minor (Em), the relative minor of the major key of G.

i	ii dim	III	iv	v	VI	VII
Em	F≇m ↓↓↓	G	Am ••	Bm	C •	

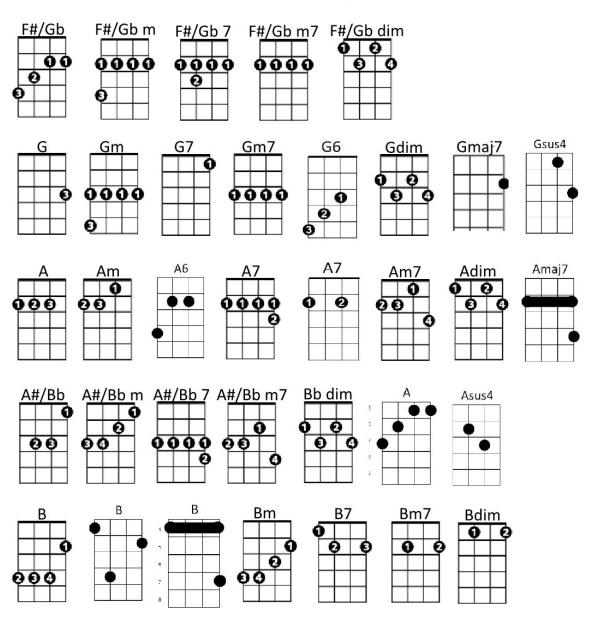
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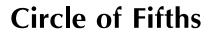
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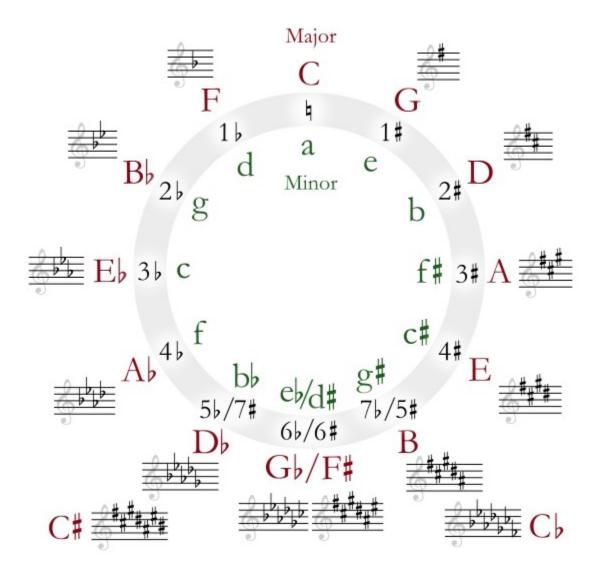
Key	I.	ii	iii	IV	v	vi	vii dim
с	С	D	E	F	G	A	В
Db	Db	Eb	F	Gb	Ab	Bb	С
D	D	E	F#	G	А	В	C#
Eb	Eb	F	G	Ab	Bb	С	D
E	E	F#	G#	A	В	C#	D#
F	F	G	A	Bb	С	D	E
Gb	Gb	Ab	Bb	Cb	Db	Eb	F
G	G	A	В	С	D	E	F#
Ab	Ab	Bb	С	Db	Eb	F	G
Α	A	В	C#	D	E	F#	G#
Bb	Bb	С	D	Eb	F	G	А
в	В	C#	D#	E	F#	G#	A#

Transposition Chart- Major Keys

Keys	i	ii dim	ш	iv	v	VI	VII
Am	A	В	С	D	E	F	G
Bbm	Bb	С	Db	Eb	F	Gb	Ab
Bm	В	C#	D	E	F#	G	А
Cm	С	D	Eb	F	G	Ab	Bb
C#m	C#	D#	E	F#	G#	A	В
Dm	D	E	F	G	A	Bb	С
Ebm	Eb	F	Gb	Ab	Bb	Cb	Db
Em	E	F#	G	А	В	С	D
Fm	F	G	Ab	Bb	С	Db	Eb
F#m	F#	G#	A	В	C#	D	E
Gm	G	A	Bb	С	D	Eb	F
G#m	G#	A#	В	C#	D#	E	F#

Transposition Chart- Minor Keys





Major And Minor Keys In Western Music

Table of Keys								
Flats / Sharps	Major Key	Relative Minor Key						
7 b	C۶	A♭m						
6 b	Gb	E♭m						
5 b	Db	B♭m						
4 b	Ab	Fm						
3 b	ЕЬ	Cm						
2 b	Bb	Gm						
1 b	F	Dm						
С	С	Am						
1 #	G	Em						
2 #	D	Bm						
3 #	А	F♯m						
4 #	E	C♯m						
5 #	В	G♯m						
6 #	F♯	D♯m						
7 #	C#	A♯m						

Primary Barre Chords for C Tuning

Soprano, Concert & Tenor

	Major							
			F#					
1 = Ab / G# 2 = A	$1 = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{b} / \mathbf{A}\mathbf{\ddagger}$ $2 = \mathbf{B}$	1 = C# / Db $2 = D$	$1 = F \# / G \flat$ 2 = G					
3 = A # / Bb $4 = B$	3 = C 4 = C # / Db	3 = D # / Eb 4 = E	3 = G # / Ab $4 = A$					
5 = C $6 = C \# / D \flat$	5 = D 6 = D # / Eb	5 = F 6 = F# / Gb	5 = A # / Bb 6 = B					
7 = D $8 = D # / E b$	7 = E 8 = F	7 = G $8 = G # / Ab$	$7 = C$ $8 = C \# / D \flat$					
9 = E $10 = F$	9 = F # / Gb 10 = G	9 = A 10 = A # / Bb	9 = D $10 = D# / Eb$					
$11 = F \# / G \flat$ $12 = G$	11 = G # / Ab $12 = A$	11 = B $12 = C$	11 = E $12 = F$					
		nor						
Abm	B♭m ●	C≭m ●	E♭m ↓ ●					
1 = Abm / G#m 2 = Am 3 = A#m / Bbm	$1 = A \# m / B \flat m$ 3 = Bm 4 = Cm	1 = C #m / Dbm 2 = Dm 3 = D #m / Ebm	1 = Ebm / D#m 2 = Em 3 = Fm					
4 = Bm 5 = Cm	$5 = C \# m / D \flat m$ 6 = Dm	4 = Em 5 = Fm	$4 = F \# m / G \flat m$ 5 = G m					
$6 = C \# m / D \flat m$ 7 = D m	$6 = D \sharp m / E \flat m$ 7 = Em	6= F♯m / G♭m 7 = Gm	$6 = G \ddagger m / A \flat m$ 7 = Am					
$8 = D \# m / E \flat m$ 9 = Em	8 = Fm 9 = F♯m / G♭m	8 = G # m / Abm 9 = Am	$8 = A \# m / B \flat m$ 9 = Bm					
10 = Fm $11 = F \ddagger m / Gbm$	10 = Gm 11 = Abm / G#m	10 = A # m / Bbm 11 = Bm	10 = Cm $11 = C \ddagger m / D \flat m$					
12 = Gm	12 = Am	12 = Cm	12 = Dm					

Primary Barre Chords for C Tuning Soprano, Concert & Tenor

	Minc	or 7 th	
Abm7 ● ■ ●	B♭m7 ●●●●	Dm7	Fm7
1=Abm7 / G # m7 2 = A m7 3 = A # m7 / Bb m7 4 = B m7 5 = C m7 6 = C # m7 / Db m7 7 = D m7 8 = D # m7 / Eb m7 9 = E m7 10 = F m7 11 = F # m7 / Gb m7 12 = G m7	1 = Bbm7 2 = B m7 3 = C m7 4 = C # m7 / Db m7 5 = D m7 6 = D # m7 / Eb m7 7 = E m7 8 = F m7 9 = F # m7 / Gb m7 10 = G m7 11 = Abm7 / G # m7 12 = A m7	1 = Dm7 $2 = D \# m7 / E \flat m7$ 3 = E m7 4 = F m7 $5 = F \# m7 / G \flat m7$ 6 = G m7 $7 = G \# m7 / A \flat m7$ 8 = A m7 $9 = A \# m7 / B \flat m7$ 10 = B m7 11 = C m7 $12 = C \# m7 / D \flat m7$	1 = F m7 $2 = F \# m7 / G \flat m7$ 3 = G m7 $4 = G \# m7 / A \flat m7$ 5 = A m7 $6 = A \# m7 / B \flat m7$ 7 = B m7 8 = C m7 $9 = C \# m7 / D \flat m7$ 10 = D m7 $11 = D \# m7 / E \flat m7$ 12 = E m7
		hant 7^{th}	
		C#7	F7
1 = Ab7 / G#7 2 = A7 3 = A#7 / Bb7 4 = B7 5 = C7 6 = C#7 / Db7 7 = D7 8 = D#7 / Eb7 9 = E7 10 = F7 11 = F#7 / Gb7 12 = G7	$1 = A\#7 / B\flat7$ 2 = B7 3 = C7 $4 = C\#7 / D\flat7$ 5 = D7 $6 = D\#7 / E\flat7$ 7 = E7 8 = F7 $9 = F\#7 / G\flat7$ 10 = G7 $11 = G\#7 / A\flat7$ 12 = A7	1 = C # 7 / Db7 2 = D7 3 = D # 7 / Eb7 4 = E7 5 = F7 6 = F # 7 / Gb7 7 = G7 8 = G # 7 / Ab7 9 = A7 10 = A # 7 / Bb7 11 = B7 12 = C7	1 = F7 2 = F#7 / Gb7 3 = G7 4 = G#7 / Ab7 5 = A7 6 = A#7 / Bb7 7 = B7 8 = C7 9 = C#7 / Db7 10 = D7 11 = D#7 / Eb7 12 = E7

Primary Barre Chords for G Tuning Baritone Ukulele

	Ma	ijor	
			F • •
1 = G # / Ab $2 = A$ $3 = A # / Bb$ $4 = B$ $5 = C$ $6 = C # / Db$ $7 = D$ $8 = D # / Eb$ $9 = E$ $10 = F$ $11 = F # / Gb$	1 = Bb 2 = B 3 = C 4 = C # / Db 5 = D 6 = D # / Eb 7 = E 8 = F 9 = F # / Gb 10 = G 11 = G # / Ab	1 = C # / Db 2 = D 3 = D # / Eb 4 = E 5 = F 6 = F # / Gb 7 = G 8 = G # / Ab 9 = A 10 = A # / Bb 11 = B	1 = F $2 = F # / Gb$ $3 = G$ $4 = G # / Ab$ $5 = A$ $6 = A # / Bb$ $7 = B$ $8 = C$ $9 = C # / Db$ $10 = D$ $11 = D # / Eb$
$\frac{12}{12} = G$	12 = A	12 = C	12 = E
A♭m ●●	Bbm ••		Fm •
$1 = G \# m / A \flat m$ 2 = Am $3 = A \# m / B \flat m$ 4 = Bm 5 = Cm $6 = C \# m / D \flat m$ 7 = Dm $8 = D \# m / E \flat m$ 9 = Em 10 = Fm $11 = F \# m / G \flat m$ 12 = Gm	1 = Bbm 2 = Cm 3 = C#m / Dbm 4 = Dm 5 = D#m / Ebm 6 = Em 7 = Fm 8 = F#m / Gbm 9 = Gm 10 = G#m / Abm 11 = Am 12 = A#m / Bbm	1 = Dm 2 = D #m / Ebm 3 = Em 4 = Fm 5 = F #m / Gbm 6 = Gm 7 = G #m / Abm 8 = Am 9 = A #m / Bbm 10 = Bm 11 = Cm 12 = C #m / Dbm	1 = Gm 2 = F #m / G bm 3 = Gm 4 = G #m / A bm 5 = Am 6 = A #m / B bm 7 = Bm 8 = Cm 9 = C #m / D bm 10 = Dm 11 = D #m / E bm 12 = Em

Primary Barre Chords for G Tuning Baritone Ukulele

	Min	or 7 th	
Am7	Cm7	Ebm7	Fm7
1 = Am7 2 = A #m7 / B bm7 3 = Bm7 4 = Cm7 5 = C #m7 / D bm7 6 = Dm7 7 = D #m7 / E bm7 8 = Em7 9 = Fm7 10 = F #m7 / G bm7 11 = Gm7 12 = G #m7 / A bm7	1 = Cm7 2 = C #m7 / Dbm7 3 = Dm7 4 = D #m7 / Ebm7 5 = Em7 6 = Fm7 7 = F #m7 / Gbm7 8 = Gm7 9 = G #m7 / Abm7 10 = Am7 11 = A #m7 / Bbm7 12 = Bm7	$1 = D \# m7 / E \flat m7$ 2 = Em7 3 = Fm7 $4 = F \# m7 / G \flat m7$ 5 = Gm7 $6 = G \# m7 / A \flat m7$ 7 = Am7 $8 = A \# m7 / B \flat m7$ 9 = Bm7 10 = Cm7 $11 = C \# m7 / D \flat m7$ 12 = Dm7	1 = Fm7 2 = F #m7 / Gbm7 3 = Gm7 4 = G #m7 / Abm7 5 = Am7 6 = A #m7 / Bbm7 7 = Bm7 8 = Cm7 9 = C # m7 / Dbm7 10 = Dm7 11 = D #m7 / Ebm7 12 = Em7
	Domi	nant 7 th	1
			F7
1 = Ab7 / G# 7 2 = A7 3 = A#7 / Bb7 4 = B7 5 = C7 6 = C#7 / Db7 7 = D7 8 = D#7 / Eb7 9 = E7 10 = F7 11 = F#7 / Gb7 12 = G7	1 = C7 2 = C#7 / Db7 3 = D7 4 = D#7 / Eb7 5 = E7 6 = F7 7 = F#7 / Gb7 8 = G7 9 = G#7 / Ab7 10 = A7 11 = A#7 / Bb7 12 = B7	1 = D#7 / Eb7 2 = E7 3 = F7 4 = F#7 / Gb7 5 = G7 6 = G#7 / Ab7 7 = A7 8 = A#7 / Bb7 9 = B7 10 = C7 11 = C#7 / Db7 12 = D7	1 = F7 2 = F #7 / Gb7 3 = G7 4 = G #7 / Ab7 5 = A7 6 = A #7 / Bb7 7 = B7 8 = C7 9 = C #7 / Db7 10 = D7 11 = D #7 / Eb7 12 = E7

Common Progressions

C Tuning (GCEA)

Кеу		ii	iii	IV	V	vi	vii
С	С	Dm	Em	F	G	Am	B Dim
F	F	Gm	Am	В	С	Dm	E Dim
G	G	Am	Bm	С	D	Em	F Dim

Progression	Chords					
I IV	C F	C C	F P P			
	F B ♭	F •				
	G C	G	C			
	Examp	le: I Still Haven't Fo	und What I'm Look	ing For		
IV	C G	C T T	G			
	FC	F • • •	C			
	G D	G				
Examples: He's Got The Whole World In His Hands, Jambalaya, Save The Last Dance For Me						

Chapter Four: Charts

ΙΙ٧ ν	C F G	C	F • •	G				
	FB♭C	F •		C				
	G C D	G	C					
		Example: I	ouie Louie					
V IV I	G F C	G	F •	C				
	C B♭ F	C		F • • •				
	D C G		C	G				
		Example: Sweet	Home Alabama					
I IV I V	CFCG	C	F • • • •	C	G			
	FB♭FC	F P P		F • •	C C			
	G C G D	G	C	G				
	Examples: Amazing Grace, The Lion Sleeps Tonight							

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l vi IV V	C Am F G	C	Am •	F •	G		
	F Dm B♭ C	F •	Dm •		C C C		
	G Em C D	G	Em •	C			
		ng the same chords	/ikipedia article, " <u>5(</u> is the " <u>I—V—vi—IV pr</u> _vi—IV progression."				
vi ii V I	Am Dm G C	Am		G	C T T		
	Dm Gm C F	Dm •	Gm • •	C	F • • •		
	Em Am D G	Em •	Am		G		
	Sometimes called the "Circle Progression," it has been said to be "undoubtedly the most common and the strongest of all harmonic progressions," according to Bruce Benward and Marilyn Nadine Saker, <i>Music In Theory and Practice</i> , 7th Ed. (Boston: McGraw-Hill, 2003). See The <u>vi-ii-V-I Progression</u> .						

Note: The complete Circle Progression is I IV viio iii vi ii V I. There are several popular excerpts.

This is just a small list of the very large number of chord progressions that exist. For more information, see the Wikipedia article, "<u>Chord Progression</u>." and the "<u>List of chord progressions</u>."

Common Progressions

G Tuning (DGBE)

Кеу	I	ii	iii	IV	V	vi	vii
С	С	Dm	Em	F	G	Am	B Dim
F	F	Gm	Am	В	С	Dm	E Dim
G	G	Am	Bm	С	D	Em	F Dim

Progression	Chords					
I IV	C F	C •	F • • • •			
	F B ♭	F • •	Bb ••			
	G C	G	C •			
	Examp	le: I Still Haven't Fo		ing For		
IV	C G	C •	G			
	FC	F • •	C •			
	G D	G				
Examples: He's Got The Whole World In His Hands, Jambalaya, Save The Last Dance For Me						

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I IV V	C F G	C •	F •	G				
	FB♭C	F •	Bb ••	C •				
	G C D	G	C • •					
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V IV I	GFC	G	F •	C •				
	C B♭ F	C •	Bb ••	F •				
	D C G		C •	G				
	L	Example: Sweet	Home Alabama					
1 IV I V	C F C G		F • •	C •	G			
	FB♭FC	F • •		F •				
	G C G D	G	C •	G				
	Examples: Amazing Grace, The Lion Sleeps Tonight							

l vi IV V	C Am F G	C •	Am • •	F •	G		
	F Dm B♭ C	F • •		Bb ••	C •		
	G Em C D	G	Em	C •			
	This is sometimes called "The 50s Progression." See the Wikipedia article, " <u>50s Progression</u> ." See also " <u>List of songs</u> <u>containing the 50s progression</u> ." Using the same chords is the " <u>I-V-vi-IV progression</u> ." And see the " <u>List of songs</u> <u>containing the I-V-vi-IV progression</u> ."						
vi ii V I	Am Dm G C	Am • •		G	C •		
	Dm Gm C F		Gm ●●●	C •	F • •		
	Em Am D G	Em	Am • •		G		
Sometimes called the "Circle Progression," it has been said to be "undoubtedly the most common and the strongest of all harmonic progressions," according to Bruce Benward and Marilyn Nadine Saker, <i>Music In Theory and Practice</i> , 7th Ed. (Boston: McGraw-Hill, 2003). See The <u>vi-ii-V-I Progression</u> .							

Note: The complete Circle Progression is I IV viio iii vi ii V I. There are several popular excerpts.

This is just a small list of the very large number of chord progressions that exist. For more information, see the Wikipedia article, "<u>Chord Progression</u>." and the "<u>List of chord progressions</u>."

Have Fun !!

"The life I love is making music with my friends!" – Willie Nelson

The End