

# Mamas Don't Let Your Babies Grow Up To Be Cowboys

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## Chorus

C F  
Mamas don't let your babies grow up to be cowboys  
G7  
Don't let them pick guitars and drive in old trucks  
C  
Make 'em be doctors and lawyers and such  
F  
Mamas don't let your babies grow up to be cowboys  
G7  
They'll never stay home and they're always alone  
C  
Even with someone they love

C F  
1. Cowboys ain't easy to love and they're harder to hold  
G7 C  
And they'd rather give you a song than diamonds or gold  
Lone Star belt buckles and old faded Levis  
F  
And each night begins a new day  
G7  
And if you don't understand him and he don't die young  
C  
He'll probably just ride away. **Chorus**

C F  
2. A cowboy loves smokey old pool rooms and clear mountain mornings  
G7 C  
Little warm puppies and children and girls of the night  
Them that don't know him won't like him  
F  
And them that do sometimes won't know how to take him  
G7  
He's not wrong he's just different and his pride won't let him  
C  
Do things to make you think he's right. **Chorus**