**Hotel California (Felder, Henley & Frey, 1976) (Em)**

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| **Intro: Melody for verse 2x**  **Em B7**  On a dark desert highway, cool wind in my hair  **D A**  Warm smell of colitas rising up through the air  **C G**  Up ahead in the distance, I saw a shimmering light  **Am**  My head grew heavy and my sight grew dim,  **B7**  I had to stop for the night  **Em B7**  There she stood in the doorway; I heard the mission bell  **D**  And I was thinking to myself  **A**  This could be heaven or this could be hell  **C G**  Then she lit up a candle, and she showed me the way  **Am B7**  There were voices down the corridor, I thought I heard them say...  **C G**  Welcome to the Hotel California.  **B7 Em**  Such a lovely place, such a lovely face  **C G**  Plenty of room at the Hotel California  **Am B7**  Any time of year, you can find it here  **Em B7**  Her mind is Tiffany-twisted, she got the Mercedes bends  **D A**  She got a lot of pretty pretty boys she calls friends  **C G**  How they danced in the courtyard, sweet summer sweat  **Am B7**  Some dance to remember, some dance to forget |  |  |
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**Em B7**

So I called up the captain; Please bring me my wine (he said)

**D A**

We haven't had that spirit here since 1969

**C G**

And still those voices are calling from far away

**Am B7**

Wake you up in the middle of the night just to hear them say...

**C G**

Welcome to the Hotel California.

**B7 Em**

Such a lovely place, such a lovely face

**C G**

They're livin' it up at the Hotel California

**Am B7**

What a nice surprise, bring your alibis

**Em B7**

Mirrors on the ceiling; the pink champagne on ice (and she said)

**D A**

We are all just prisoners here, of our own device

**C G**

And in the master's chambers, they gathered for the feast

**Am B7**

They stab it with their steely knives but they just can't kill the beast

**Em B7**

Last thing I remember, I was running for the door

**D A**

I had to find the passage back to the place I was before

**C G**

"Relax" said the night man; we are programmed to receive

**Am B7**

You can check out any time you like - but you can never leave...

**Instrumental verse 2x**