

Jamaica Farewell

Lyrics attributed to Irving Burgie aka Lord Burgess or Don Williams,
Last two verses by Doug Banta. Made famous by Harry Belafonte, 1956

INTRO: G Am G D7 G G STRUM: CALYPSO DDU UDU BPM:144
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G C G D7 G
Down the way where the nights are gay and the sun shines daily on the mountain top
G C G D7 G
I took a trip on a sailing ship and when I reached Jamaica I made a stop. But I'm

CHORUS: G Am Sad to say I'm on my way
D7 G Won't be back for many a day
G Am My heart is down, my head is turning around
G D7 G G (4) I had to leave a little girl in Kingston town

G C G D7 G
Sounds of laughter everywhere and the dancing girls sway to and fro
G C G D7 G
I must declare my heart is there, though I've been from Maine to Mexico. But I'm...

CHORUS:

G C G D7 G
Down at the market you can hear ladies cry out while on their heads they bear
G C G D7 G
'Akey' rice, salt fish are nice, and the rum is fine any time of year. But I'm...

CHORUS:

G C G D7 G
I'm standing here upon the pier. I shed a tear as the ship draws near.
G C G D7 G
I watch it sail into the bay; on tomorrow's tide it's taking me away. So I'm...

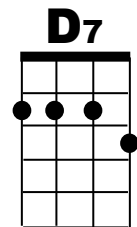
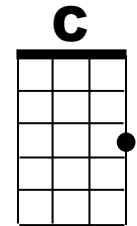
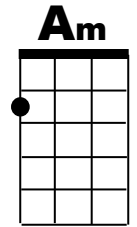
CHORUS:

G C G D7 G
I love my girl so desperately, that I asked her please sail away with me.
G C G D7 G
She thought a while and then said, "No," so I begged again, but she won't go. So I'm...

CHORUS IS SUNG TWICE at the end.

AND END THE SONG WITH A FADE AWAY:

G G G
Kingston Town.....Kingston Town.....Kingston Town...



or

