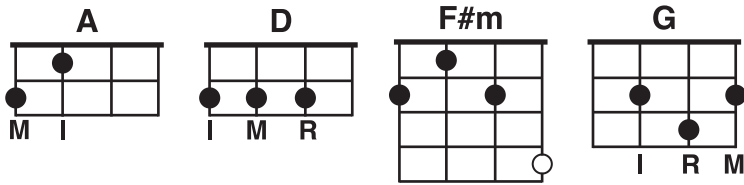


Big Yellow Taxi — Joni Mitchell (1970)

NOTE: /=single strum



(G) They paved paradise ... put up a parking (D) lot
With a (G) pink hotel... a (A) boutique...
and a (D) swinging hot spot

=====CHORUS

(D/) Don't it always (F#m/) seem to go... that you
(G/) don't know what you've got till it's (D/) gone
They (G) paved paradise... (A) put up a parking (D) lot
(shoo ba-ba ba-ba... shoo ba-ba ba-ba)

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They (G) took all the trees... put 'em in a tree mu-(D)-seum
And then they (G) charged the people... a (A) dollar and a half
just to (D) see 'em

CHORUS

(G) Hey farmer, farmer... put away your D.D. (D) T. now
Give me (G) spots on my apples... but (A) leave me the birds
and the (D) bees, please

CHORUS

(G) Late last night... I heard the screen door (D) slam
And a (G) big yellow taxi... (A) took away my old (D) man

CHORUS X 2

They (G) paved paradise... (A) put up a parking (D) lot
(shoo ba-ba ba-ba... shoo ba-ba ba-ba)
They (G) paved paradise and (A) put up a parking (D) lot