

"LA BAMBA"

Introduction: [C] [F] [G] [G] / [C] [F] [G] [G] / [C] [F] [G] [G] //

[G] Para bailar La [C] Bamba, [F] [G] Para bai-[F]-lar La [C] Bamba
Se nece-[G]-sito una [F] poca de [C] gracia [F] [G] Una [F] poca de [C] gracia
Para [F] mi, para [G] ti, y arriba, y arriba [C] [F] [G] y ar-[F]-riba, y ar-[C]-riba
Por [F] ti se-[G]-ré, por [F] ti seré [C], por [F] ti seré [G] //

[G] Yo no soy mari-[C]-nero, [F][G] Yo no [F] soy mari-[C]-nero,
Soy [F] capi-[G]-tán Soy [F] capi-[C]-tán, soy [F] capi-[G]-tán
[C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba, [C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba
[C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba, [G] Bam-[C]-ba. //

[G] Para bailar La [C] Bamba, [F][G] Para bai-[F]-lar La [C] Bamba
Se nece-[G]-sito una [F] poca de [C] gracia [F][G] Una [F] poca de [C] gracia
Para [F] mi, para [G] ti, y arriba, y ar-[C]riba [F][G] y ar-[F]-riba, y a-[C]-rriba
Por [F] ti se-[G]-ré, por [F] ti seré [C], por [F] ti seré [G] //

[C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba, [C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba
[C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba, [G] Bam-[C]-ba. //

Instrumental: [C] [F] [G] [G] / [C] [F] [G] [G] / [C] [F] [G] [G] //
[rrrhhh – ja-ja rrrhhh – ja-ja, etc..]

[G] Para subir al [C] cielo, [F] [G] Para su-[F]-bir al [C] cielo,
Se nece-[G]-sita una esca-[F]-lera [C] larga, [F] [G] Una esca-[F]-lera [C] larga
Y o-[F]-tra co-[G]-sita, y arriba, y ar-[C]-riba [F] [G] y ar-[F]-riba, y a-[C]-rriba
con-[F]-tigo i-[G]-ré, con-[F]-tigo iré [C], con-[F]-tigo iré [G]

[C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba, [C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba
[C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba, [G] Bam-[C]-ba.//

[G] Para bailar La [C] Bamba, [F][G] Para bail[F] ar La [C] Bamba
Se nece-[G]-sito una [F]poca de [C] gracia [F][G] Una [F]poca de [C] gracia
Para [F]mi, para [G]ti, y arriba, y ar[C]riba [F][G] y ar[F]riba, y a-[C]-rriba
Por [F] ti se-[G]-ré, por [F] ti seré [C], por [F] ti seré [G] //

[G] Yo no soy mari-[C]-nero, [F][G] Yo no [F] soy mari-[C]-nero,
soy [F] capi-[G]-tán Soy [F] capi-[C]-tán, soy [F] capi-[G]-tán
[C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba, [C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba
[C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba, [G] Bam-[C]-ba.

[C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba, [C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba
[C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba, [G] Bam-[C]-ba.
[C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba, [C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba
[C] Bam-[F]-ba, [G] bamba, [G] Bam-[C]-ba....*Cha-Cha-Chaaa //*

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Richard Steven Valenzuela, known professionally as Ritchie Valens,(1941-1959) was an American guitarist, singer and songwriter. A rock and roll pioneer and a forefather of the Chicano rock movement, Valens was killed in a plane crash eight months into his music career.

"La Bamba" is originally an 18th-century folk song that comes from the Verracruz region on the Mexican Gulf Coast. It also refers to a dance performed mainly at weddings.