

Ukulele 101: Holiday Songs

The material contained in this compilation is intended for education purposes, hence missing chord names and chord diagrams. Please number these songs in order of difficulty.

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Away in a Manger

C

Away in a manger

F C

No crib for a bed

G7

The little Lord Jesus

C

Laid down His sweet head.

The stars in the sky

F C

Looked down where He lay.

G7 C

The little Lord Jesus

Am Dm G7 C

A - sleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing

The Baby awakes.

The little Lord Jesus

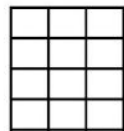
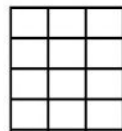
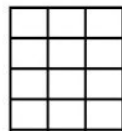
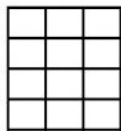
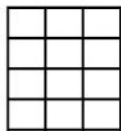
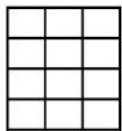
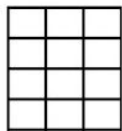
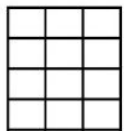
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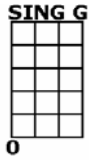
I love Thee, Lord Jesus

Look down from the sky

And stay by my cradle

Till morning is nigh.

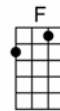
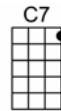
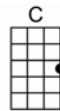
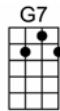
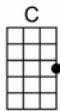




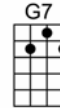
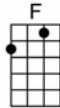
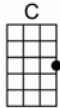
AULD LANG SYNE

(Song for New Year)

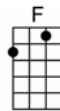
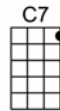
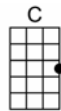
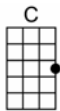
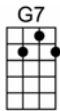
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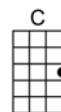
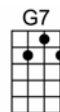
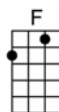
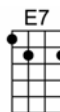
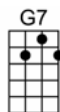
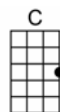
Should auld acquaintance be forgot and never brought to mind?



Should auld acquaintance be forgot and days of auld lang syne?



For auld lang syne, my dear, for auld lang syne



We'll take a cup of kindness yet, for auld lang syne.

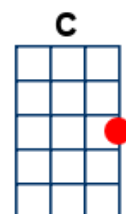
Deck The Halls in C

, writer: Thomas Oliphant, Traditional

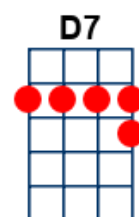
[C] Deck the halls with boughs of holly,
[G] Fa la la la [C] laa la la [G] la [C] la.
[C] Tis the season to be jolly,
[G] Fa la la la [C] laa la la [G] la [C] la.



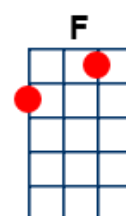
[G] Don we now our [C] gay apparel,
[C] Fa la la, [Am7] la la la, [D7] la la [G] la.
[C] Troll the ancient Yule tide carol,
[F] Fa la la la [C] laa la la [G] la [C] la.



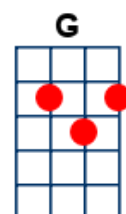
[C] See the blazing Yule before us,
[G] Fa la la la [C] laa la la [G] la [C] la.
[C] Strike the harp and join the chorus.
[G] Fa la la la [C] laa la la [G] la [C] la.



[G] Follow me in [C] merry measure,
[C] Fa la la, [Am7] la la la, [D7] la la [G] la.
[C] While I tell of Yule tide treasure,
[F] Fa la la la [C] laa la la [G] la [C] la.



[C] Fast away the old year passes,
[G] Fa la la la [C] laa la la [G] la [C] la.
[C] Hail the new, ye lads and lasses,
[G] Fa la la la [C] laa la la [G] la [C] la.



[G] Sing we joyous, [C] all together,
[C] Fa la la, [Am7] la la la, [D7] la la [G] la.
[C] Heedless of the wind and weather,
(slow down last line:)
[F] Fa la la la [C] laa la la [G] la [C] la.

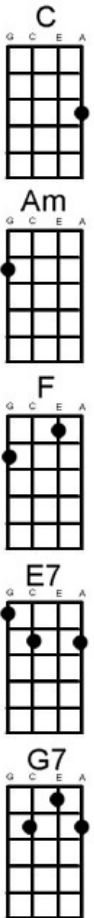
Hallelujah

Leonard Cohen

Hear this song at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ccGz-li_rgM (play along in this key)

From: Richard G's Ukulele Songbook www.scorpexuke.com

Well I've [C] heard there was a [Am] secret chord
That [C] David played and it [Am] pleased the Lord
But [F] you don't really [G7] care for music [C] do you [G7]
It [C] goes like this the [F] fourth the [G7] fifth
The [Am] minor fall and the [F] major lift
The [G7] baffled king com[E7]posing halle[Am]lujah
Halle[F]lujah Halle[Am]lujah Halle[F]lujah Halle[C]lu[G7] [C]jah [G7]
Your [C] faith was strong but you [Am] needed proof
You [C] saw her bathing [Am] on the roof
Her [F] beauty and the [G7] moonlight over[C] threw ya [G7]
She [C] tied you to a [F] kitchen [G7] chair
She [Am] broke your throne, and she [F] cut your hair
And [G7] from your lips she [E7] drew the halle[Am]lujah
Halle[F]lujah Halle[Am]lujah Halle[F]lujah Halle[C]lu[G7] [C]jah [G7]
Well [C] baby I've been [Am] here before
I [C] know this room and I've [Am] walked this floor,
I [F] used to live a[G7]lone before I [C] knew ya [G7]
I've [C] seen your flag on the [F] marble [G7] arch
But [Am] love's not some kind of [F] victory march
No it's a [G7] cold and it's a very [E7] broken halle[Am]lujah
Halle[F]lujah Halle[Am]lujah Halle[F]lujah Halle[C]lu[G7] [C]jah [G7]
I [C] did my best but it [Am] wasn't much
I [C] couldn't feel so I [Am] tried to touch
I've [F] told the truth I [G7] didn't come to [C] fool ya [G7]
And [C] even though it [F] all went [G7] wrong
I'll [Am] stand before the [F] Lord of Song
With [G7] nothing on my [E7] tongue but halle[Am]lujah
Halle[F]lujah Halle[Am]lujah Halle[F]lujah Halle[C]lu[G7] [C]jah



Ukulele (Hallelujah parody)

Intro: [C] [Am] [C] [Am]

Now I've [C] heard there was a [Am] list of chords
That [C] I should play 'til [Am] I got bored
My [F] teacher told me [G] I must practice [C] daily [G]
It [C] goes like this, C, [F] F, [G] G7
I'll [Am] never play the [F] harp in heaven
I'm [G] going to hell to [E7] play my uku-[Am]-lele

Uku-[F]-lele, uku-[Am]-lele,
Uku-[F]-lele, uku-[C]-le--[G]--[C]-le [Am] [C] [Am]

On [C] X Factor they [Am] sang this song
But [C] I believe they [Am] got it wrong
The [F] vocals sounded [G] shrill and far to [C] wail-ey [G]
But [C] sometimes when [F] the spirit [G] moves
I'm [Am] sure that lovely [F] Len approves
I'll [G] play his song [E7] upon my uku-[Am]-lele

Uku-[F]-lele, uku-[Am]-lele,
Uku-[F]-lele, uku-[C]-le--[G]--[C]-le [Am] [C] [Am]

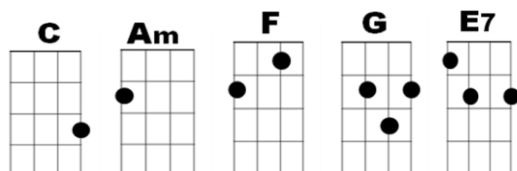
It [C] doesn't matter [Am] who you are
Or [C] where you come from, [Am] near or far
You [F] could be Greek, Bra-[G]-zilian or Is-[C]-raeli [G]
No-[C]-one will want to [F] be your [G] friend
Be-[Am]-cause you drive them [F] round the bend
And [G] irritate them [E7] with your uku-[Am]-lele

Uku-[F]-lele, uku-[Am]-lele,
Uku-[F]-lele, uku-[C]-le--[G]--[C]-le [Am] [C] [Am]

So [C] armed with my [Am] half-dozen chords
I'm [C] setting out to [Am] tread the boards
At [F] folk-club sessions, [G] open mic or [C] ceilidh [G]
From [C] jazz, thrash-metal, [F] country, [G] pop
To [Am] little stick of [F] Blackpool Rock
You'll [G] hear them all [E7] upon my uku-[Am]-lele

Uku-[F]-lele, uku-[Am]-lele,
Uku-[F]-lele, uku-[C]-le--[G]--[C]-le [Am] [C] [Am]

Uku-[F]-lele, uku-[Am]-lele, Uku-[F]-lele, uku-[C]-le--[G]--[C]-le



Here Comes Santa Claus

Gene Autry

Heart his song at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PwWzLv5gcv4>

From: Richard G's Ukulele Songbook www.scorpex.net/Uke

[C] Here comes Santa Claus here comes Santa Claus

[G7] Right down Santa Claus lane

Vixen and Blitzen and all his reindeer [C] pullin' on the [C7] reins

[F] Bells are ringin' [C] children [Am] singin'

[Dm] All is [G7] merry and [C] bright [C7]

So [F] hang your stockings and [C] say your [A7] prayers

'Cause [Dm] Santa Claus [G7] comes to [C] night [G7]

[C] Here comes Santa Claus here comes Santa Claus

[G7] Right down Santa Claus lane

He's got a bag that's filled with toys for [C] boys and girls a [C7] gain

[F] Hear those sleigh bells [C] jingle [Am] jangle

[Dm] Oh what a [G7] beautiful [C] sight [C7]

So [F] jump in bed and [C] cover your [A7] head

'Cause [Dm] Santa Claus [G7] comes to [C] night [G7]

[C] Here comes Santa Claus here comes Santa Claus

[G7] Right down Santa Claus lane

He doesn't care if you're rich or poor he [C] loves you just the [C7] same

[F] Santa Claus knows that [C] we're God's [Am] children

[Dm] That makes [G7] everything [C] right [C7]

So [F] fill your hearts with [C] Christmas [A7] cheer

'Cause [Dm] Santa Claus [G7] comes to [C] night [G7]

[C] Here comes Santa Claus here comes Santa Claus

[G7] Right down Santa Claus lane

He'll come around when chimes ring out

That it's [C] Christmas morn a [C7] gain

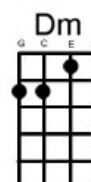
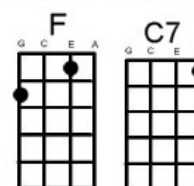
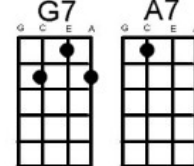
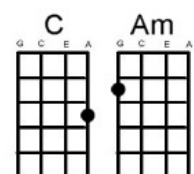
[F] Peace on earth will [C] come to [Am] all

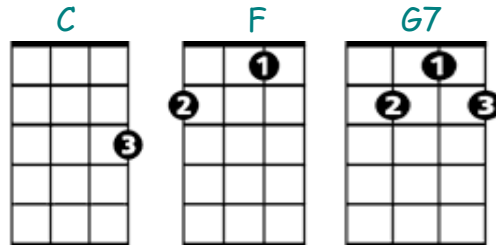
If [Dm] we just [G7] follow the [C] light [C7]

So [F] lets give thanks to the [C] lord a [A7] bove

'Cause [Dm] Santa Claus [G7] comes to [C] night

'Cause [Dm] Santa Claus [G7] comes to [C] night





Feliz Navidad

Intro:

C F G7 C

C F G7 C



C F G7

Feliz Navidad

C

Feliz Navidad

F

Feliz Navidad

G7 C

Prospero Ano y Felicidad.

C F G7

Feliz Navidad

C

Feliz Navidad

F

Feliz Navidad

G7 C

Prospero Ano y Felicidad.

C F

I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas

G7 C

I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas

F

I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas

G7 C

From the bottom of my heart.

C F G7

Feliz Navidad

C

Feliz Navidad

F

Feliz Navidad

G7 C

Prospero Ano y Felicidad.

C F G7

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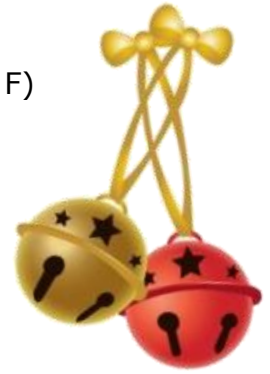
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Prospero Ano y Felicidad.

Jingle Bells for Ukulele Key: C Level 4

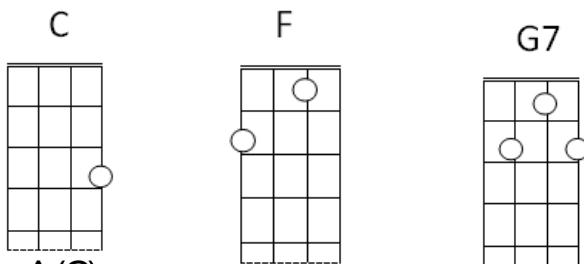
(J. Pierpont)

(New chord- F)



* C F
Dashing through the snow, in a one-horse open sleigh
G7 C
Over fields we go, laughing all the way
F
Bells on bobtails ring, making spirits bright
G7 C
What fun it is to ride and sing a sleighing song to-night , oh!

C
Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way
F C G7
Oh what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh, hey!
C
Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way
F C G7 C
Oh what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh



*Starting note: ^ (G)

Timing- 4/4:
ONE, 2, 3, 4,
ONE, 2, 3, 4...
e.g.
D, Du, Du, Du,
D, Du, Du, Du....



Jolly Old St. Nicholas

Benjamin Hanby, 1881

1, 2 / 1, 2 /

[F] Whisper what you'll [C] bring to me [G7] tell me if you [C] can [C]

[C] Jolly old St. [G7] Nicholas [Am] lean your ear this [Em] way

[F] Don t you tell a [C] single soul [G] what I'm going to [G7] say

[C] Christmas Eve is [G7] coming soon [Am] now you dear old [Em] man

[F] Whisper what you'll [C] bring to me [G7] tell me if you [C] can [C]

[C] When the clock is [G7] striking twelve [Am] when I'm fast a-[Em]sleep

[F] Down the chimney [C] broad and black [G] with your pack you'll [G7] creep

[C] All the stockings [G] you will find [Am] hanging in a [Em] row

[F] Mine will be the [C] shortest one [G7] you'll be sure to [C] know [C]

[C] Johnny wants a [G7] pair of skates [Am] Suzy wants a [Em] dolly

[F] Nellie wants a [C] story book [G] she thinks dolls are [G7] folly

[C] As for me, my [G7] little brain [Am] isn't very [Em] bright

[F] Choose for me, old [C] Santa Claus [G7] what you think is [C] right [C]

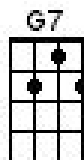
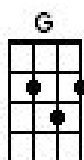
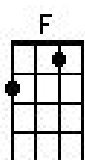
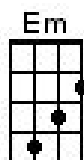
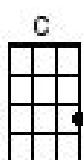
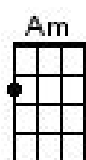
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[F] Don t you tell a [C] single soul [G] what I'm going to [G7] say

[C] Christmas Eve is [G7] coming soon [Am] now you dear old [Em] man

[F] Whisper what you'll [C] bring to me [G7] tell me if you [C] can

[C]↓[G7]↓[C]↓



Joy to the World

C **G7 C**
Joy to the world, the Lord is come

F **G7** **C**
Let earth receive her King

C
Let every heart prepare Him room

C
And Heaven and nature sing

G
And Heaven and nature sing

C **G7** **C**
And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing

Joy to the World, the Savior reigns!

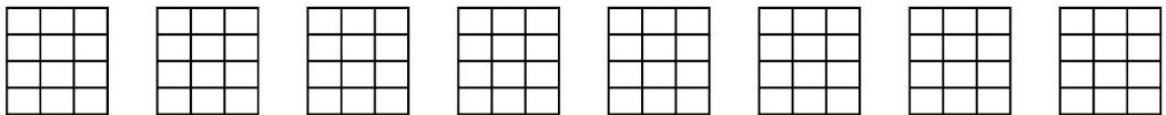
Let men their songs employ

While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains

Repeat the sounding joy

Repeat the sounding joy

Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy



Last Christmas

artist:Wham , writer:George Michael

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E8gmARGvPII> But in Eb

CHORUS:

[C] Last Christmas I gave you my heart,
But the [Am] very next day you gave it away,
[Dm] This year to save me from tears,
I'll [G] give it to someone special.

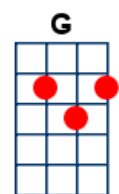
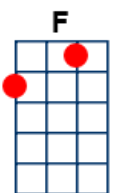
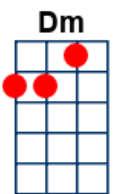
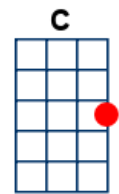
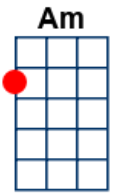
[C] Last Christmas I gave you my heart,
But the [Am] very next day you gave it away,
[Dm] This year to save me from tears,
I'll [G] give it to someone special.

[C] Once bitten and twice shy,
[Am] I keep my distance, but you still catch my eye,
[F] Tell me baby, do you recognize me?
[G] Well, it's been a year, it doesn't surprise me.
[C] (Happy Christmas) I wrapped it up and sent it,
[Am] With a note saying, "I love you" , I meant it,
[Dm] Now I know what a fool I've been,
But if you [G] kissed me now, I know you'd fool me again.

CHORUS

[C] A crowded room, friends with tired eyes,
[Am] I'm hiding from you, and your soul of ice,
[F] My god, I thought you were someone to rely on,
[G] Me? I guess I was a shoulder to cry on.
[C] A face on a lover with a fire in his heart,
[Am] A man under cover but you tore me apart,
[Dm] Oh, oh
Now I've [G] found a real love you'll never fool me again.

CHORUS --- [C]



Little Drummer Boy

artist: , writer: Katherine Kennicott Davis

Intro: [C] / / / / | / / / / | x2

[C] Come they told me, pa [Csus4] rum pum pum [C] pum
A new born King to see, pa [Csus4] rum pum pum [C] pum
[G] Our finest gifts we bring, pa rum pum pum [G7] pum [C]
To lay be[C7]fore the King, pa rum pum pum [F] pum,
rum pum pum [C] pum, rum pum pum [G] pum,

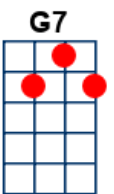
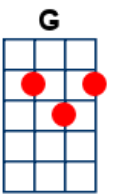
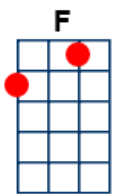
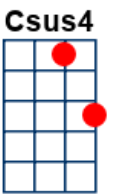
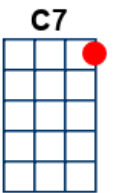
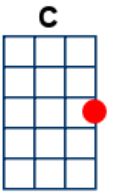
[C] So to honour Him, pa [Csus4] rum pum pum [C] pum,
[G7] When we [C] come.

Little Baby, pa [Csus4] rum pum pum [C] pum
I am a poor boy too, pa [Csus4] rum pum pum [C] pum
[G] I have no gift to bring, pa rum pum pum [G7] pum [C]
That's fit to [C7] give the King, pa rum pum pum [F] pum,
rum pum pum [C] pum, rum pum pum [G] pum,

[C] Shall I play for you, pa [Csus4] rum pum pum [C] pum,
[G7] On my [C] drum?

[C] Mary nodded, pa [Csus4] rum pum pum [C] pum
The ox and lamb kept time, pa [Csus4] rum pum pum [C] pum
[G] I played my drum for Him, pa rum pum [G7] pum pum [C]
I played my [C7] best for Him, pa rum pum pum [F] pum,
rum pum pum [C] pum, rum pum pum [G] pum,

[C] Then He smiled at me, pa [Csus4] rum pum pum [C] pum
[G7] Me and my [C] drum.



O Christmas Tree

C **G C**
O Christmas tree, o Christmas tree

Dm **G7 C**
How lovely are thy branches

C **G C**
O Christmas tree, o Christmas tree

Dm **G7 C**
How lovely are thy branches

C **G7**
Your boughs so green in summertime

C
Stay bravely green in wintertime

Am
O tannenbaum, o Christmas tree

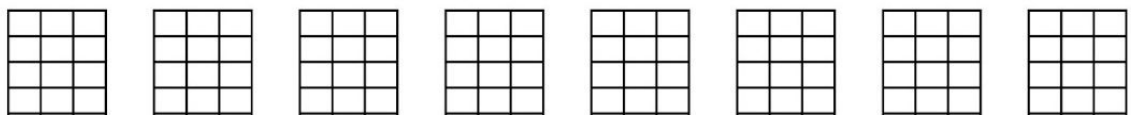
F **G7 C**
How lovely are thy branches

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree

Much pleasure you do give me

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree

Much pleasure you do give me

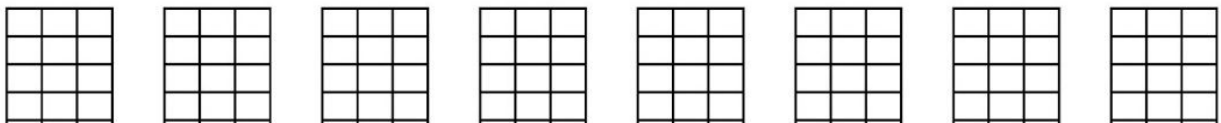


Rudolf The Red Nosed Reindeer

John Marks

(C) Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer
Had a very shiny (G) nose,
And if you ever saw it,
(G7) You would even say it (C) glows.
All of the other reindeer
Used to laugh and call him (G) names
They never let poor Rudolph
(G7) Join in any reindeer (C) games. (C7)

(F) Then one foggy (C) Christmas Eve
(G) Santa came to (C) say,
(G) "Rudolph with your (E7) nose so bright,
(Am) Won't you (D7) guide my (G7) sleigh tonight?"
(C) Then how the reindeer loved him
As they shouted out with (G) glee,
"Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer,
(G7) You'll go down in (C) history!"



SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN

Singing note: D

[G]/[G]

Oh, you'd **[G!]** better watch out, you'd **[C!]** better not cry
You'd **[G!]** better not pout, I'm **[C!]** telling you why
[G] Santa Claus is **[D7]** coming to **[G]** town **[D7]**

He's **[G]** making a list, he's **[C]** checkin' it twice
He's **[G]** gonna find out who's **[C]** naughty and nice
[G] Santa Claus is **[D7]** coming to **[G]** town

He **[G7]** sees you when you're **[C]** sleeping
He **[G7]** knows when you're a-**[C]**wake
He **[A7]** knows if you've been **[D]** bad or good
So be **[A7]**↓ good for goodness **[D]**↓ sake **[D7]**↓ oh!

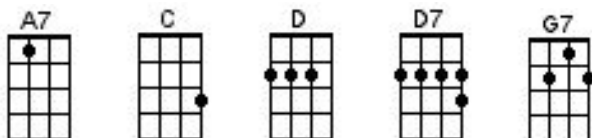
You'd **[G]** better watch out, you'd **[C]** better not cry
You'd **[G]** better not pout, I'm **[C]** telling you why
[G] Santa Claus is **[D7]** coming to **[G]** town **[D7]**

With **[G]** little tin horns and **[C]** little tin drums
[G] Rooty toot toots and **[C]** rummy tum tums
[G] Santa Claus is **[D7]** coming to **[G]** town **[D7]**

And **[G]** curly head dolls that **[C]** cuddle and coo
[G] Elephants, boats, and **[C]** kiddy cars too
[G] Santa Claus is **[D7]** coming to **[G]** town

The **[G7]** kids in girl and **[C]** boy land
Will **[G7]** have a jubi-**[C]**lee
They're **[A7]** gonna build a **[D]** toy land town
All a-**[A7]**↓round the Christmas **[D]**↓ tree **[D7]**↓ oh!

You'd **[G]** better watch out, you'd **[C]** better not cry
You'd **[G]** better not pout, I'm **[C]** telling you why
[G] Santa Claus is **[D7]** coming
[G] Santa Claus is **[D7]** coming
[G] Santa Claus is **[D7]** coming to **[G]** town **[G]**↓**[D]**↓**[G]**↓



Silent Night in C

artist: Bing Crosby , writer: Franz Xaver Gruber, Joseph Mohr

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=llBdy5fkv5o> But in F#

Intro: [C] [G7] [C] [F] (last line of 1st verse)

[C] Silent night, holy night!

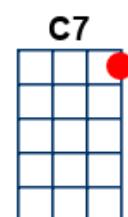
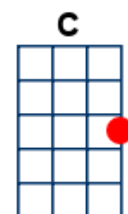
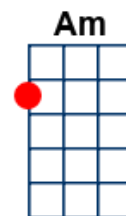
[G] All is [G7] calm, [C] all is [C7] bright,

[F] Round yon virgin, [C] mother and [C7] child,

[F] Holy infant so [C] tender and mild,

[G] Sleep in [G7] heavenly [C] peace [Am]

[C] Sleep in [G7] heavenly [C] peace.



[C] Silent night, holy night!

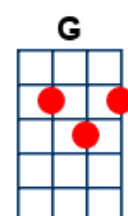
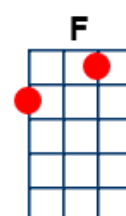
[G] Shepherds [G7] quake [C] at the [C7] sight

[F] Glories stream from [C] heaven [C7] afar

[F] Heavenly hosts sing [C] alleluia

[G] Christ the [G7] saviour is [C] born [Am]

[C] Christ the [G7] saviour is [C] born.



[C] Silent night, holy night!

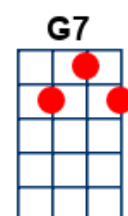
[G] Son of [G7] God, [C] love's pure [C7] light

[F] Radiant beams from [C] thy holy [C7] face,

[F] With the dawn of [C] redeeming grace

[G] Jesus [G7] Lord at thy [C] birth [Am]

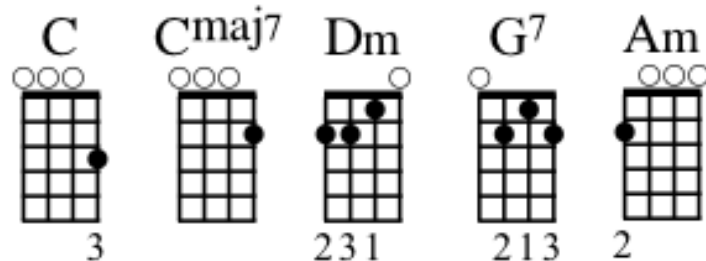
[C] Jesus [G7] Lord at thy [C] birth.



Silver Bells



She & Him



VERSE 1

C Cmaj7 Dm
City sidewalks, busy sidewalks, dressed in holiday style
G7 C
In the air there's a feeling of Christmas
C Cmaj7 Dm
Children laughing, people passing, meeting smile after smile
G7 Am
And on every street corner you hear

CHORUS

C Cmaj7 Dm
Silver bells, silver bells
G7 C
It's Christmas-time in the city
C Cmaj7 Dm
Ring-a-ling, hear them ring
G7 Am
Soon it will be Christmas day

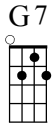
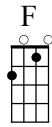
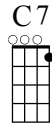
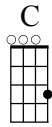
VERSE 2

C Cmaj7 Dm
City street lights, even stop lights, blink in red and green
G7 C
As the shoppers run home with their treasures
C Cmaj7 Dm
Hear the snow crunch, see the kids bunch, this is Santa's big scene
G7 Am
And above all the bustle you hear

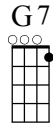
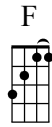
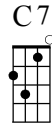
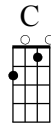
CHORUS

30a. Up on the Housetop

Traditional



Ukulele



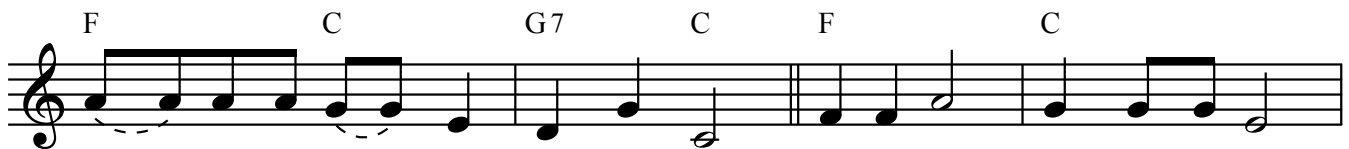
Baritone Ukulele



Up on the house - top — rein - deer pause, Out jumps good ol' —
 First comes the stock - ing of lit - tle Nell; Oh, dear San - ta —
 Look in the stock - ing of lit - tle Bill; Oh, just see what a



San - ta Claus. Down thru the chim - ney with lots of toys, —
 fill it well; Give her a dol - ly that laughs and cries, —
 glo - rious fill! There is a ham - mer and lots of tacks, A



All — for the lit - tle ones, Christ - mas joys. Ho, ho, ho! Who would - n't go?
 One — that will o - pen and shut her eyes.
 whis - tle and a ball — and a set of jacks.



Ho, ho, ho! Who would - n't go? — Up on the house - top, click, click, click.



Down thru the chim - ney with good Saint Nick.

'Ukulele: Most Commonly Used Triads and Sevenths from Major Scales

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