

# El Paso

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**D** Out in the West Texas **Em** town of El Paso

**A7** I fell in love with a Mexican **D** girl

Night-time would find me in **Em** Rosa's cantina

**A7** Music would play and Felina would **D** whirl

**D** Blacker than night were the **Em** eyes of Felina

**A7** Wicked and evil while casting a **D** spell

My love was deep for this **Em** Mexican maiden

**A7** I was in love but in vain, I could **D** tell

**G** One night a wild young **D** cowboy came **G** in

Wild as the West Texas **D** wind **D7**

**D7** Dashing and daring, a drink he was sharing

**D7** With wicked Felina, the girl that I **G** loved

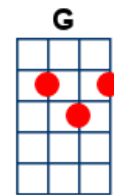
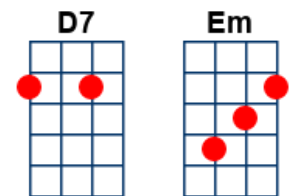
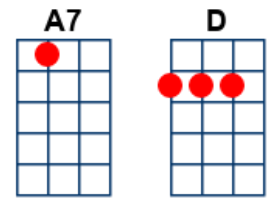
So in **A7** anger I:

**D** Challenged his right for the **Em** love of this maiden

**A7** Down went his hand for the gun that he **D** wore

My challenge was answered in **Em** less than a heart-beat

**A7** The handsome young stranger lay dead on the **D** floor



**D**  
Just for a moment I **Em** stood there in silence

**A7**  
Shocked by the foul evil deed I had **D** done

Many thoughts raced through my **Em** mind as I stood there

**A7**  
I had but one chance and that was to **D** run

**G**  
Out through the back door of **D** Rosa's I **G** ran

Out where the horses were **D** **D7** tied

**D7**  
I caught a good one, it looked like it could run

**D7**  
Up on its back, and away I did **G** ride

Just as **A7** fast as I

**D**  
Could from the West Texas **Em** town of El Paso

**A7**  
Out to the bad-lands of New Mexico **D**

**D**  
Back in El Paso my life **Em** would be worthless

**A7**  
Everything's gone in life nothing is **D** left

**D**  
It's been so long since I've seen **Em** the young maiden

**A7**  
My love is stronger than my fear of **D** death

**G**  
I saddled up and **D7** away I did **G** go

Riding alone in the **D7** **D7** dark

**D7**  
Maybe tomorrow a bullet may find me

**D7**  
Tonight nothing's worse than this

Pain in my **G** heart

And at **A7** last here I

**D**  
Am on the hill over **Em** looking El Paso

**A7**  
I can see Rosa's cantina be **D** low

My love is strong and it **Em** pushes me onward

**A7**  
Down off the hill to Felina I **D** go

**D**  
Off to my right I see **Em** five mounted cowboys

**A7**  
Off to my left ride a dozen or **D** more

Shouting and shooting I **Em** can't let them catch me

**A7**  
I have to make it to Rosa's back **D** door

**G**  
Something is dreadfully **D7** wrong for I **G** feel

A deep burning pain in my **D** **D7** side

**D7**  
Though I am trying to stay in the saddle

**D7**  
I'm getting weary, unable to **G** ride

But my <sup>A7</sup> love for

<sup>D</sup> Felina is strong and I <sup>Em</sup> rise where I've fallen

<sup>A7</sup> Though I am weary I can't stop to <sup>D</sup> rest

I see the white puff of smoke <sup>Em</sup> from the rifle

<sup>A7</sup> I feel the bullet go deep in my <sup>D</sup> chest

<sup>D</sup> From out of nowhere <sup>Em</sup> Felina has found me

<sup>A7</sup> Kissing my cheek as she kneels by my <sup>D</sup> side

Cradled by two loving arms <sup>Em</sup> that I'll die for

<sup>A7</sup> One little kiss and Felina, good <sup>D</sup> bye