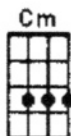


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SOME PREFER Bb

[C] Out in the west Texas [Dm] town of El Paso
 [G7] I fell in love with a Mexican [C] girl
 Night time would find me in [Dm] Rosa's cantina
 [G7] Music would play and Felina would [C] whirl *2 measures C*

[C] Blacker than night where the [Dm] eyes of Felina
 [G7] Wicked and evil while casting a [C] spell
 My love was deep for this [Dm] Mexican maiden
 [G7] I was in love, but in vain I could [C] tell

[F] One night a wild young [C7] cowboy came [F] in
 Wild as the [Cm] West Texas [C] wiiiiind [C7] [C7] [C7]
 [C7] Dashing and daring, a drink he was sharing
 With wicked Felina, the girl that I [F] loved
 So in [G7] anger



I [C] challenged his right for the [Dm] love of this maiden
 [G7] Down went his hand for the gun that he [C] wore
 My challenge was answered in [Dm] less than a heartbeat
 [G7] The handsome young stranger lay dead on the [C] floor *2 measures*

Just for a moment I [Dm] stood there in silence
 [G7] Shocked by the foul evil deed I had [C] done
 Many thoughts raced through my [Dm] mind as I stood there
 [G7] I had but one chance and that was to [C] run *2 measures*

[F] Out through the back door of [C7] Rosa's I [F] ran
 Out where the [Cm] horses were [C] tiiiiied [C7] [C7] [C7]
 [C7] I caught a good one
 It looked like it could run
 Up on its back and away I did [F] ride
 Just as [G7] fast as

I [C] could from the West Texas [Dm] town of El Paso
 [G7] Out to the badlands of New Mexi[C]co

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[C] Back in El Paso my [Dm] life would be worthless
[G7] Everything's gone in life, nothing is [C] left
It's been so long since I've [Dm] seen the young maiden
[G7] My love is stronger than my fear of [C] death

[F] I saddled up and a [C7] way I did [F] go
Riding a [Cm] lone in the [C] daaaaark [C7] [C7] [C7]
[C7] Maybe tomorrow a bullet may find me
Tonight nothing's worse than this pain in my [F] heart
And at [G7] last here

I [C] am on the hill over [Dm] looking El Paso
[G7] I can see Rosa's cantina be [C] low
My love is strong and it [Dm] pushes me onward
[G7] Down off the hill to Felina I [C] go

Off to my right I see [Dm] five mounted cowboys
[G7] Off to my left ride a dozen or [C] more
Shouting and shooting I [Dm] can't let them catch me
[G7] I have to make it to Rosa's back [C] door

[F] Something is dreadfully [C7] wrong for I [F] feel
A deep burning [Cm] pain in my [C] siiiiiide [C7] [C7] [C7]
[C7] Though I am trying to stay in the saddle
I'm getting weary, unable to [F] ride
But my [G7] love for

Fi [C] lena is strong and I [Dm] rise where I've fallen
[G7] Though I am weary I can't stop to [C] rest
I see the white puff of [Dm] smoke from the rifle
[G7] I feel the bullet go deep in my [C] chest
From out of nowhere Fi [Dm] lena has found me
[G7] Kissing my cheek as she kneels by my [C] side
Cradled by two loving [Dm] arms that I'll die for
[G7] One little kiss and Felina, good [C] bye