

SWEET BABY JAMES

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Intro : F Dm7 G7sus4 G7

Strum= D DUD

First note=C

C G F Em
There is a young cowboy he lives on the range.
Am F C Em
His horse and his cattle are his only companion.
Am F C Em
He works in the saddle and he sleeps in the canyon.
F C G Dm7 G7
Waiting for Summer, his pastures to change.
F G C
And as the moon rises he sits by his fire.
Am F C G
Thinkin' about women and glasses of beer.
F G7sus C
Closing his eyes as the doggies retire
Am F C Em
He sings out a song which is soft but it's clear
Am7 D G7sus G7
As if maybe someone could hear.

CHORUS:

C F G C
Goodnight you moonlight ladies.
Am F C
Rock-a-bye sweet baby James.
Am F C
Deep greens and blues are the colors I choose.
Dm7 D G7sus G7
Won't you let me go down in my dreams.
F G C
And rock-a-bye sweet baby James.

C G F Em
Now the first of December was covered with snow.
Am F C Em
And so was the turnpike from Stockridge to Boston.
Am F C Em
Though the Berkshires seemed dreamlike on account of that frosting.
F C G Dm F
With ten miles behind me and ten thousand more to go.
F G C
There's a song that they sing when they take to the highway.
Am F C G
A song that they sing when they take to the sea.
F G C
A song that they sing of their home in the sky.
Am F C
Maybe you can believe it if it helps you to sleep.
Am7 D G7sus4 G7
But singing works just fine for me.

CHORUS

