

Chestnut Mare

Byrds

D A6 Bm
Always alone,
G G/F#bass A7
never with a herd
D A6 Bm
Prettiest mare I've ever seen,
G G/F#bass A7
you'll have to take my word

G G/F# bass Em A7 D A6 Bm
I'm going to catch that horse if I can
G G/F# bass Em A7 D A6 Bm
and when I do I'll give her my brand

D A6 Bm
Well I was up on Stony Ridge
G G/F#bass Em A7
after this chestnut mare, been chasing her for weeks
D A6 Bm
Oh I'd catch a glimpse of her every once in a while
G G/F#bass Em A7 (A7sus A7) D
taking her meal, bathing, fine lady
A6 Bm
This one day I happen to be real close to her
G G/F#bass Em
and I saw her standing over there
A7 D A6 Bm
so I snuck up on her nice and easy
G G/F#bass
got my rope out
Em A7
and I flung it in the air!

CHORUS

G G/F# bass Em A7 D A6 Bm
I'm going to catch that horse if I can
G G/F# bass Em A7 D A6 Bm
and when I do I'll give her my brand
G G/F#bass Em
And we'll be friends for life

G G/F#bass Em
She'll be just like a wife
G G/F#bass Em A7 D A6 Bm
I'm going to catch that horse if I can

And I got her and I'm pulling on her
And she's pulling back like this mule going up a ladder
And I take a choice and I jump right up on her
Damned if I don't land right on top of her
And she takes off, running up onto the ridge
higher than I've ever been before
She's running along just fine
'til she stops and something spooked her
it's a sidewinder, all coiled and ready to strike
she doesn't know what to do for a second,
but then, she jumps off the edge, me holding on

(Canyon music!)

D (A bass, B bass) C C/B bass Em
Above the hills, higher than eagles were gliding
(Ebass, F# bass)
G D
suspended in the sky
D
over the hill
(A bass, B bass)
C C/B bass Em
straight for the sun we were riding
(E bass, F# bass)
G G/F# bass Asus
my eyes were filled with light
D
behind those black walls
(A bass, B bass) C C/B bass Em
below was a bottomless canyon
(Ebass, F# bass)
G D
floating with no sound
D
ghosts far below
(A bass, B bass)
C C/B bass Em
seemed to be suddenly rising
G G/F#bass Asus
exploding all around

(Chorus)

We were falling
down this crevice
about about a mile down it seem
and I looked down
And I see this red thing below us coming up real fast
and it's our reflection that's
this little pool of water about six feet wide and one foot deep
We're falling down right through it
We hit, we splashed it dry
that's when I lost my hold
and she got away
but I'm gonna try and get her again some day

(Chorus)