

Strawberry Eyes

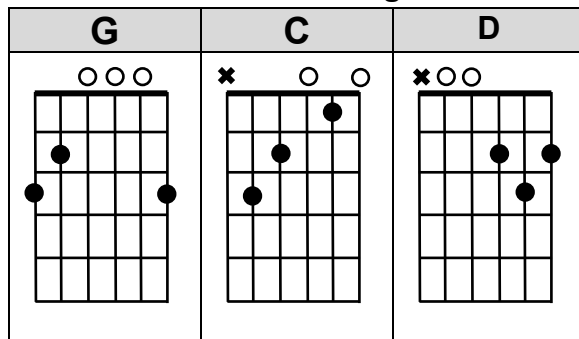
Background: This is a country song that piles on all country song stereotypes but the kitchen sink, or washboard as the case may be. It's got a teenage crush on the local country girl, small town troubles, unrequited love, alcoholism, drug abuse, an abusive father, domestic and child abuse, high school dropouts, teenage pregnancy, marriage too young and for the wrong reasons, teen prison time, spousal abuse, a local bar, guns, revenge and murder. Oh, and a ridiculous title with a metaphor as sad as it is realistically absurd. It's a love song, but not in a good way.

Written: 2022

Arr.	Key	Time	Tuning	Tempo	Style	Capo
1	G	4/4	Standard	130	Country	None

Arrangement	1
Verse	G C G D G C G D G
Bridge Verses	C G D C G C G D G
Chorus	D G D G

Chords Used in this Song



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Verse 1

I had a crush on a girl when we were kids
Met her in junior high
She lived across the meadow
Past those big oak trees we climbed
When I saw her I hadn't the courage
To say much more than hi
She was the girl
With strawberry eyes

Verse 2

Her Daddy was a drunkard
Used to come home drunk and wild
No wife left now to beat on
So he'd turn on his own child
No one would do nothin'
From far off I'd hear the cries
From the girl
With the strawberry eyes

Bridge Verse 1

I'd see her the next day
Behind her hair she'd hide
Her eye bruised red, bloodshot from tears
Swelled up twice its size
She'd say she fell but next time
It would be the other side
She was the girl
With strawberry eyes

Chorus

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Verse 3

She left home at 19
Didn't finish high school

Pregnant and unmarried
She already felt about 42
Been 'round the block many times
A lot of miles on those tires
She was the girl
With strawberry eyes

Verse 4

She married Loser Joe
Been trouble since he was a teen
Temper quick as a mongoose
Everyone knew him as just plain mean
Sometimes you marry your old man
And you don't even realize
Yeah that was the girl
With strawberry eyes

Bridge Verse 2

I hadn't seen her in a decade
She had 3 kids and one on the way
I came home to visit my parents
Saw her at the liquor store one day
One good look at her face
I could see right through her disguise
She was again the girl
With strawberry eyes

Chorus

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Verse 5

She remembered me more than I could believe
Said she'd wondered where I'd been
Said she couldn't leave him
She was afraid of what he might do then
Sometimes you do things just for your kids
Sometimes it's to your own demise

She was the girl
With strawberry eyes

Verse 6

She wasn't sure what was worse
Beatings or apologetic lies
She said, only half-jokingly
"I wish he'd just up and die"
Then she just paused and looked at me
I knew what she meant by
She was the girl
With strawberry eyes

Bridge Verse 3

He wasn't hard to find that night
Sitting right there at the bar
You could tell from those meth eyes
He was wasted beyond far
I brought a little friend with me
Waited till he came outside
In the shadows of the parking lot
That's when he met his demise
Yeah you'll no longer beat
On the girl
With strawberry eyes

Epilogue Verse 7

Drove by her house, honked the horn
And then the curtain was drawn
The last look I got from her was
A strange look of peace and calm
That was the last she saw of me
Never got a chance to say goodbye
To the girl
With strawberry eyes

Epilogue Bridge Verse 4

No one ever came for me
Yeah they were none the wise
I guess no one could ID the man

Maybe it was just too dark outside
I think about her sometimes, hope she's well
But I have to keep cut ties
From the girl
With strawberry eyes

Yeah I hope she's well
And that her blue eyes shine
No more the girl
With strawberry eyes

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