

A Cowboy Sings the Blues

Background: This is a country/western song about personal loss and recovery. About a man going through the great loss of his wife to cancer. Trying to get on with his life as the world doesn't wait on him but finding that difficult to do. The world goes on, but not for all.

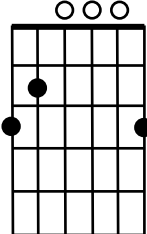
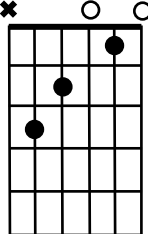
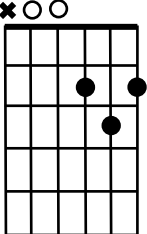
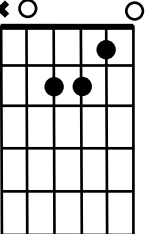
Oh, and Black-Eyed Pete is his horse, metaphorical for the memories you keep and take with you.

Written: 2022

Arr.	Key	Time	Tuning	Tempo	Style	Capo
1	G	4/4	Standard	120	Country	None

Arrangement	1
Intro	G C D
Verse	G C G D G C G D G
Chorus	C G C G D C G D C G
Bridge	D Am C G D

Chords Used in this Song

G	C	D	Am
			

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Verse

I got my snakeskin boots
With spurs hangin' off the back
Got my blue jeans, leather vest
And my ten-gallon hat
Got my best friend by my side
His name is Black Eyed Pete
He's the best friend
That I could ever need

Chorus

I don't know why this cowboy sings the blues
I should be singing songs about the Great Plains
Or losin' a girl or two
I should be out riding fences
Like Desperados are supposed to do
I don't know why this cowboy sings the blues

Verse

An owl close by hoots
And turns his head full around
A coyote howls at the moon
His song fills the night's sound
The campfire snaps and crackles
Gives the darkness a sign of life
The sky's so clear
The universe's stars are rife

Chorus

I don't know why this cowboy sings the blues
I should be singing songs about horses
Or losin' a girl or two
I should be out riding fences
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Bridge

I wonder if she's up there
She was always my brightest star

I know the constellation that took her
I hope she's smiling down from afar

Optional 2nd Bridge

Hera sent The Crab
But Hercules kicked it to the sky
The faintest of the zodiac 12
Ptolemy first called it Cancrri

(Guitar and Harmonica Break)

Verse

The morning sun says it's time to rise
Nature's wakeup call
She says get on with the day's work
So come on Pete let's roll
Another day on God's green earth
I couldn't ask for a better life
Except one thing
I sure do miss my wife

Chorus

I know why this cowboy sings the blues
I'm singing songs about the Great Plains
And losing my best friend too
I should be out riding fences
Like Outlaws are supposed to do
I know why this cowboy sings the blues

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Verse

G

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C

With spurs hangin' off the back

G

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D

And my ten-gallon hat

G

Got my best friend by my side

C

His name is Black Eyed Pete

G

Yeah he's the best friend

D

G

That I could ever need

Chorus

C

G

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G

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Bridge

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Am

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Chorus

C **G**
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C
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G **D**
And losing my best friend too
C
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G
Like Outlaws are supposed to do
D **C** **G**
I know why this cowboy sings the blues

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