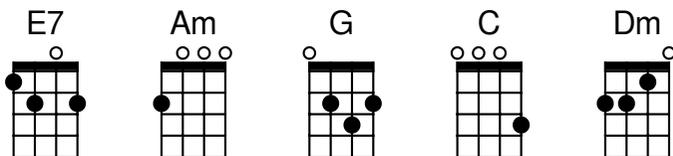


# Dona Dona

Sholom Secunda and Aaron Zeitlin (1940)



[E7] [Am] [G] [C]  
[E7] [Am] [E7] [Am]

Verse 1 [Am] On a [E7] wagon [Am] bound for [E7] market  
[Am] There's a [Dm] calf with a [E7] mournful [Am] eye  
[Am] High a [E7]bove him [Am] there's a [E7] swallow  
[Am] Winging [Dm] swiftly [E7] through the [Am] sky

Chorus [G] How the winds are [C] laughing  
[G] laugh with all their [C] might  
[G] Laugh and laugh the [C] whole [E7]day [Am] through and  
[E7] half the summer's [Am] night

[E7] Dona Dona Dona [Am] Dona  
[G] Dona Dona Dona [C] Don  
[E7] Dona Dona Dona [Am] Dona  
[E7] Dona Dona Dona [Am] Don

Verse 2 [Am] "Stop com[E7]plaining" [Am] said the [E7] farmer  
[Am] "Who told [Dm] you a [E7] calf to [Am] be?  
[Am] Why don't [E7] you have [Am] wings to [E7] fly with  
[Am] Like the [Dm] swallow, so [E7] proud and [Am] free?"

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[E7] half the summer's [Am] night

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Verse 3 [Am] Calves are [E7] easily [Am] bound and [E7] slaughtered  
[Am] Never [Dm] knowing the [E7] reason [Am] why  
[Am] But who[E7]ever [Am] treasures [E7] freedom  
[Am] Like the [Dm] swallow has [E7] learned to [Am] fly

Chorus [G] How the winds are [C] laughing  
[G] laugh with all their [C] might  
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