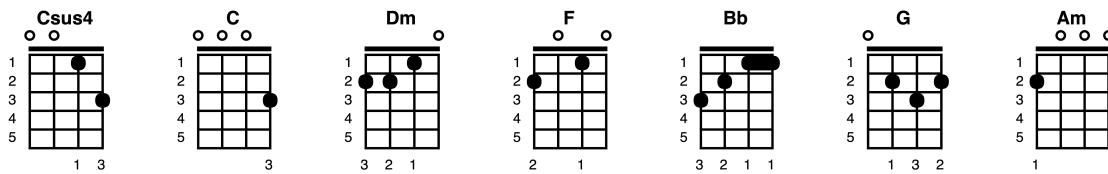


Gringo Honeymoon

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Key of C



Intro:

[Csus4] [C] [Csus4] [C]

Verse 1:

[C] We were standing on a **[Dm]** mountaintop
[F] Where the cactus flowers grow
[C] I was wishing that the **[Dm]** world would stop
[F] When you said "We'd better **[C]** go"
[C] We took a row boat across the **[Dm]** Rio Grande
[F] Captain Pablo was our **[C]** guide
[C] For two dollars in a **[Bb]** weathered hand
[F] He rowed us to the other side **[C]**

Chorus 1:

[G] We were dreaming like
[Am] The end was not in sight
[F] And we dreamed all after-**[C]**noon
[G] We asked the world to wait
[Am] So we could celebrate
[F] (Pause 2,3,4) A gringo honeymoon
[Csus4] [C] [Csus4] [C]

Verse 2:

[C] We stepped out onto the golden **[Dm]** sand
[F] The sun was high and burning **[C]** down
[C] Rented donkeys from an **[Dm]** old blind man
[F] Saddled up and rode to **[C]** town
[C] Tied our donkeys to an **[Dm]** ironwood tree
[F] By the stream where children **[C]** play
[C] We walked in the first place **[Bb]** we could see
[F] Serving cold beer in the **[C]** shade

Chorus 2:

[G] We were drinking like
[Am] The end was not in sight
[F] And we drank all after-[C]noon
[G] We asked the world to wait
[Am] So we could celebrate
[F] (Pause 2,3,4) A gringo honeymoon
[Csus4] [C] [Csus4] [C]

Verse 3:

[C] Met a cowboy who [Dm] said that he
[F] Was running from the DE-[C]A.
[C] He left a home, a wife, and [Dm] family
[F] When he made his geta-[C]way
[C] We'd followed him on down a street of [Dm] dust
[F] To his run-down, one-room [C] shack
[C] He blew a smoke ring and he [Bb] smiled at us
[F] "I ain't never goin' [C] back"

Chorus 3:

[G] We were flying like
[Am] The end was not in sight
[F] And we soared that after-[C]noon
[G] We asked the world to wait
[Am] So we could celebrate
[F] (Pause 2,3,4) A gringo honeymoon
[Csus4] [C] [Csus4] [C]

Verse 4:

[C] He said "There's one last place that [Dm] you should go"
[F] He took us to the town's best [C] bar
[C] He knew a crusty caba-[Dm]llero
[F] Who played an old gut-string gui-[C]tar
[C] And he sang like Marty [Dm] Robbins could
[F] Played like no one I've [C] known
[C] For a while we knew that [Bb] life was good
[F] It was ours to take back [C] home

Chorus 4:

[G] We were singing like
[Am] The end was not in sight
[F] And we sang all after-**[C]**noon
[G] We asked the world to wait
[Am] So we could celebrate
[F] (Pause 2,3,4) A gringo honeymoon
[Csus4] [C] [Csus4] [C]

Half-verse outro:

[C] We were standing on a **[Dm]** mountaintop
[F] Where the cactus flowers **[C]** grow
[C] I was wishing that the **[Dm]** world would stop
[F] When you said (2,3,4,1,2,3) "We'd better go"
[Csus4] [C] [Csus4] [C]