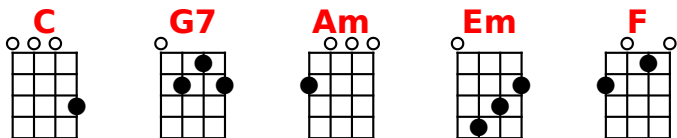


# I'm An Old Cowhand (From the Rio Grande)

1936 For the movie, Rhythm on the Range; w & m. Johnny Mercer m. Harry Warren



Instrumental Intro 1st line:

**[C]** I'm an old cow-**[G7]** hand from the Rio **[C]** Grande,

Verse 1:

**[C]** I'm an old cow-**[G7]** hand from the Rio **[C]** Grande,  
But my legs ain't **[G7]** bowed and my cheeks ain't **[C]** tanned.  
I'm a **[Am]** cowboy who never **[Em]** saw a cow,  
Never **[Am]** roped a steer 'cause I **[Em]** don't know how,  
And I **[Am]** sure ain't a fixin' to **[Em]** start it now,

Chorus:

**[C]** yippie ki **[F]** yo ki-**[C]**yay, **[C]** yippie ki **[F]** yo ki-**[C]** yay.

Verse 2:

**[C]** I'm an old cow-**[G7]** hand from the Rio **[C]** Grande,  
and I learned to **[G7]** ride, 'fore I learned to **[C]** stand.  
I'm a **[Am]** riding fool who is **[Em]** up to date,  
I know **[Am]** every trail in the **[Em]** Lone Star State,  
I **[Am]** ride the range in a **[Em]** Ford V-8,

Chorus:

**[C]** yippie ki **[F]** yo ki-**[C]**yay, **[C]** yippie ki **[F]** yo ki-**[C]** yay.

Instrumental Verse 3 & Chorus:

**[C]** I'm an old cow-**[G7]** hand from the Rio **[C]** Grande  
and I come to **[G7]** town just to hear the **[C]** band.  
I know **[Am]** all the songs that the **[Em]** cowboys know,  
'bout the **[Am]** big corral where the **[Em]** doggies go,  
I **[Am]** learned them all on the **[Em]** radio.

Chorus:

**[C]** yippie ki **[F]** yo ki-**[C]**yay, **[C]** yippie ki **[F]** yo ki-**[C]** yay.

Verse 3:

**[C]** I'm an old cow-**[G7]** hand from the Rio **[C]** Grande  
and I come to **[G7]** town just to hear the **[C]** band.  
I know **[Am]** all the songs that the **[Em]** cowboys know,  
'bout the **[Am]** big corral where the **[Em]** doggies go,  
I **[Am]** learned them all on the **[Em]** radio.

Chorus:

**[C]** yippie ki **[F]** yo ki-**[C]**yay, **[C]** yippie ki **[F]** yo ki-**[C]** yay.

Verse 4:

**[C]** I'm an old cow-**[G7]** hand from the Rio **[C]** Grande  
Where the west is **[G7]** wild, round the border **[C]** land.  
Where the **[Am]** buffalo roam a **[Em]** round the zoo  
And the **[Am]** Indians make you a **[Em]** rug or two.  
The Old **[Am]** Bar X is a **[Em]** barbeque.

Chorus:

**[C]** yippie ki **[F]** yo ki-**[C]**yay, **[C]** yippie ki **[F]** yo ki-**[C]** yay

Tag: **[C]** yippie ki **[G7]** yo ki-**[C]**yay ///