

I'm An Old Cowhand

Words & Music by Johnny Mercer

Recorded by Bing Crosby with Jimmy Dorsey, 1936 (#2)



C **F6** **G7** **C**
I'm an old cowhand from the Rio Grande,
C **F6** **G7** **C**
But my legs ain't bowed and my cheeks ain't tanned;

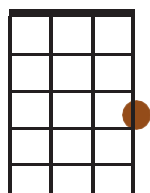
Am **Em**
I'm a cowboy who never saw a cow --

Am **Em**
Never roped a steer, 'cause I don't know how,

Am **Em**
And I sure ain't fixin' to start in now.

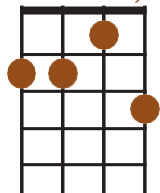
F6 **G7** **C** **Am** **F6** **G7** **C**
Yippie - yi - yo - ki - yay, yippie - yi - yo - ki - yay

C

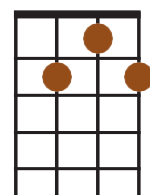


F6

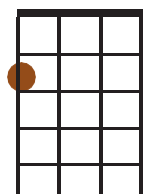
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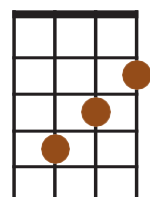
G7



Am



Em



C **F6** **G7** **C**
I'm an old cowhand from the Rio Grande,
C **F6** **G7** **C**
And I learned to ride 'fore I learned to stand;

Am **Em**
I'm a ridin' fool who is up to date --

Am **Em**
I know every trail in the Lone Star state,

'Cause I ride the range in a Ford V8.

F6 **G7** **C** **Am** **F6** **G7** **C**
Yippie - yi - yo - ki - yay, yippie - yi - yo - ki - yay.

C **F6** **G7** **C**
I'm an old cowhand from the Rio Grande,
C **F6** **G7** **C**
And I come to town just to hear the band

Am **Em**
I know all the songs that the cowboys know

Am **Em**
'Bout the big corral where the doggies go,

Am **Em**
'Cause I learned them all on the rad-ee-o

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