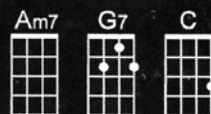


Am7*If you ever go down Trinidad,***G7***They make you feel so very glad,
Calypso sing and make up rhyme,***C***Guarantee you one real good fine time.***CHORUS****Am7***Since the Yankee come to Trinidad,***G7***They got the young girls all goin' mad,
Young girls say they treat 'em nice,***C***Make Trinidad like paradise.***CHORUS****Am7***From Chica-chica-ree to Mona's Isle,***G7***Native girls all dance and smile,
Help soldier celebrate his leave,***C***Make every day like New Year's Eve.***CHORUS****Am7***In old Trinidad, I also fear,***G7***The situation is mighty queer,
Like the Yankee girl, the native swoon,***C***When she hear "Der Bingo" croon.***CHORUS****Am7***Out on Manzanella Beach,***G7***G.J. romance with native peach,
All night long, make tropic love,***C***Next day, sit in hot sun and cool off.***CHORUS 2X***Rum & Coca-Cola*
THE ANDREWS SISTERS**CHORUS****Am7***Drinkin' rum and Coca-Cola,***G7***Go down Point Cumana,
Both mother and daughter,***Am7***Workin' for the Yankee dollar.*

Although the Andrews Sisters' recording of this classic Calypso tune was one of the most popular platters of 1945, it was virtually banned from radio play due to its racy lyrics. The NBC "Blue" network did allow the Andrews Sisters to warble the song on the air—but it was introduced as "Going to Trinidad" and the lyrics were changed to "lime and Coca-Cola." Morey Amsterdam (who played "Buddy" on The Dick Van Dyke Show) claimed to have written the song, but copyright lawsuits revealed that he'd actually plagiarized the Trinidad tune while entertaining U.S. soldiers on the island during WWII. The original words were penned by Rupert Grant, and the song's melody is based on Lionel Belasco's 1906 song: "L'Annee Pensee." (BTW, Point Cumana is a suburb in Port of Spain, Trinidad's capital city.)