

**EL PASO**

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**C** **Dm** **G7** **C**  
OUT IN THE WEST TEXAS TOWN OF EL PASO I FELL IN LOVE WITH A MEXICAN GIRL.  
**C** **Dm**  
NIGHTTIME WOULD FIND ME IN ROSA'S CANTINA,  
**G7** **C** **F|C**  
MUSIC WOULD PLAY AND FELINA WOULD WHIRL.  
**C** **Dm**  
BLACK AS THE NIGHT WERE THE EYES OF FELINA,  
**G7** **C** **F|C**  
WICKED AND EVIL WHILE CASTING A SPELL.  
**C** **Dm**  
MY LOVE WAS STRONG FOR THIS MEXICAN MAIDEN,  
**G7** **C** **F|C**  
I WAS IN LOVE, BUT IN VAIN I COULD TELL.  
**F** **A#** **F** **A#** **C7**  
ONE NIGHT A WILD YOUNG COWBOY CAME IN, WILD AS THE WEST TEXAS WIND...  
**C7**  
DASHING AND DARING, A DRINK HE WAS SHARING,  
**F**  
WITH WICKED FELINA, THE GIRL THAT I LOVE.  
**G** **G7** **C** **Dm** **G7**  
SO IN AN - GER I CHALLENGED HIS RIGHT FOR THE LOVE OF THIS MAIDEN;  
**C**  
DOWN WENT HIS HAND FOR THE GUN THAT HE WORE.  
**Dm**  
MY CHALLENGE WAS ANSWERED, IN LESS THAN A HEARTBEAT  
**G** **C**  
THE HANDSOME YOUNG STRANGER LAY DEAD ON THE FLOOR.  
**Dm**  
JUST FOR A MOMENT I STOOD THERE IN SILENCE,  
**G** **C**  
SHOCKED BY THE FOUL EVIL DEED I HAD DONE.  
**Dm**  
MANY THOUGHTS RAN THROUGH MY MIND AS I STOOD THERE;  
**G** **C**  
I HAD BUT ONE CHANCE AND THAT WAS TO RUN.  
**F** **A#** **F** **A#** **C7**  
OUT THROUGH THE BACK DOOR OF ROSE'S I RAN, OUT WHERE THE HORSES WERE TIED...  
**C7**  
I PICKED A GOOD ONE; HE LOOKED LIKE HE COULD RUN,  
**F**  
UP ON HIS BACK AND AWAY I DID RIDE.  
**C** **Dm**  
JUST AS FAST AS I COULD FROM THE WEST TEXAS TOWN OF EL PASO,  
**G** **C**  
OUT THRU THE BADLANDS OF NEW MEXICO.  
**Dm**  
BACK IN EL PASO MY LIFE WOULD BE WORTHLESS;  
**G** **C**  
EVERYTHING'S GONE IN LIFE NOTHING IS LEFT.  
**C** **Dm**  
BUT IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE I'VE SEEN THE YOUNG MAIDEN,  
**G** **C**  
MY LOVE IS STRONGER THAT MY FEAR OF DEATH.

