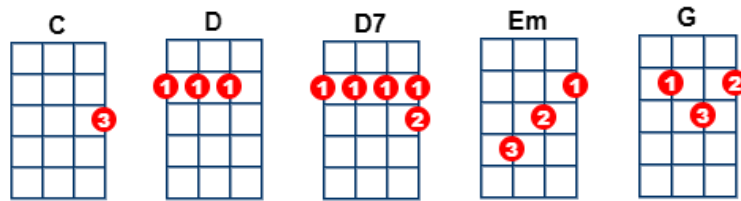


The Rose – (Key of G) Bette Midler



(Single strum on beat)

[G] Some say love [Em] it is a [D] river, [D7]
That [C] drowns the tender [G] reed.

[G] Some say love [Em] it is a [D] razor, [D7]
That [C] leads your soul to [G] bleed.

[G] Some say [Em] love it is a [G] hunger, [G7]
An [C] endless aching [D] need.

I say [G] love [Em] it is a [D] flower, [D7]
And [C] you its only [G] seed.

(Single strum & finger-picking)

It's the [G] heart [Em] afraid of [D] breaking, [D7]
That [C] never learns to [G] dance'.

[G] It's the dream [Em] afraid of [D] waking [D7]
That [C] never takes a [G] chance.

[G] It's the one [Em] who won't be [G] taking [G7]
Who [C] cannot seem to [D] give,
And the [G] soul [Em] afraid of [D] dying, [D7]
That [C] never learns to [G] live.

(Normal strum)

[G] When the night [Em] has been too [D] lonely, [D7]
And the [C] road has been too [G] long,

[G] And you find [Em] that love is [D] only, [D7]
For the [C] lucky and the [G] strong.

[G] Just remem-[Em]ber in the [G] winter, [G7]
For be-[C]neath the bitter [D] snow.

(STOP) (single strum on beat)

Lies the [G] seed [Em] and with the [D] sun's love, [D7]
In the [C] spring becomes the [G] rose. [G] /