

Darkest Hour
Arlo Guthrie

Capo 5

[Verse]

C

It s the tenth of January

F G Am

And I still ain t had no sleep

C F

She comes waltzing in the nighttime

G

Made of wings

C

She is dressed up like a bandit

F G Am

With a hundred sparkling rings

C F G

Looking for my company to keep

F G

Coming closer to me

C F

She doesn t say a word

F G

In the shadow of the carved rock tower

C

Where the sounds of the night

F G Am

Were the only things we heard

F G C

In my darkest hour

C

She don t want to hear no secrets

F G Am

She would guarantee me that

C F

She knows there ain t no words

G

That can describe her

C

With her white silk scarves

F G Am

And her black Spanish hat

C F G

She knows there ain t no way I can deny her

F G

Yes her blue velvet perfume

C F

Filling up the night

F **G**
 The guards are all asleep that watch the tower
C
 The moonlight held her breast
F G Am
 As she easily undressed
F G C
 In my darkest hour
C
 Her father s in his chambers
F G Am
 with his friends all gathered round
C F
 They are plotting their enemy s
G
 demise
C
 With their last detail done
F G Am
 They await the coming sun
C F G
 While I am staring in my lover s eyes
F G
 Her brothers and her sisters
C F
 Are all through for tonight
F G
 Pretending that they ve just come into power
C
 But she far most of all
F G Am
 knows that they can only fall
F G C
 In my darkest hour
C
 Hungry wings, their melodies
F G Am
 While my love awakens me
C F
 In the midst of the sunburst
G
 first light
C
 Her hands are holding up the skies
F G Am
 As I hid my opened eyes
C F
 Every move just for herself
G
 And that s so right
F G
 Soon I went along my way
C F

With no words that could explain

F **G**

As she began descending to the tower

C

Her safety now concerns me

F **G** **Am**

Her circumstance to blame

F **G** **C**

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