

**Ring-Around-A-Rosy Rag**  
**Arlo Guthrie**

OK, first up, Arlo's website has the official chords on it.

<http://www.arlo.net/resources/tablatore/display.php?file=ring-around.chopro>

But speaking as a rank novice, I found the D minor to B flat chord switch was a tad tricky which was a shame as this song's a real crowd pleaser!

Anyway, I found a way to cheat a bit and make the whole thing more novice friendly

- transpose the chords down 5 semitones and capo it to the 5th fret to get it back into key. It makes the chords way easier to play!

**C** **E7**  
1) I had a friend, a friend you could trust  
**Am** **F**  
Went into the park and got busted  
**C** **D7** **G7**  
Doin' the Ring-Around-A-Rosy-Rag.  
**C** **E7**  
Went to the park, late at night  
**Am** **F**  
Ring-Around-A-Rosy in the middle of the night  
**C** **D7** **G7** **C** **G7**  
Yes, we all should do the Ring-Around-A-Rosy-Rag

Ch) Ring around, ring around Rose  
Touch your nose and blow your toes  
And mind after doin' the Ring-Around-A-Rosy-Rag.  
Ring around, ring around Rose  
Touch your nose and blow your toes  
And mind after doin' the Ring-Around-A-Rosy-Rag.

2) We ought to send Officer Joe Strange  
To some Australian mountain range  
So we all could do the Ring-Aroud-A-Rosy-Rag  
Would you like to put Philadelphia upthight, one mass  
Ring-Aroud-A-Rosy in the middle of the night  
Yes, we all should do the Ring-Aroud-A-Rosy-Rag

Ch)  
**C** **E7** **A7**  
Touch your nose and blow your toes  
**D7** **G7**  
And mind after doin' the Ring-Around-A-Rosy-Rag.

Chords:

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|-----------|-------------|
| <b>C</b>  | x-3-2-0-1-0 |
| <b>E7</b> | 0-2-0-1-0-0 |
| <b>Am</b> | x-0-2-2-1-0 |
| <b>F</b>  | x-x-3-2-1-1 |
| <b>D7</b> | x-x-0-2-1-2 |
| <b>G7</b> | 3-2-0-0-0-1 |
| <b>A7</b> | x-0-2-0-2-0 |