

Crooked Road And The Briar
Calexico

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This sounds fine tuned normal but you can play it open D if you want it to sound exactly like the song.

Ebm B Ebm

Ebm
Down the crooked road a ways
B **Ebm**
A child s shadow hiding in the Briar

F# **Ebm** **F#** **Ebm**
Tending to a twisted heart
B **G#m**
that s bent and broken
B **G#m**
wounded and abandoned
Bb7 **Ebm**
left amongst the rotted root to rot

Ebm B Ebm

Ebm
Moon, crimson moon
B **Ebm**
Rose Marie s walking down the crooked road a ways

F# **Ebm** **F#** **Ebm**
All aglow, her fair white skin
B **G#m** **B** **G#m**
Portrait of beauty, angel to many
F# **Ebm** **F#** **Ebm**
Hears the hush crying from the briar
B **G#m** **B** **G#m**
Reaches in her hand to see what s the matter
C# **G#m**
and is dragged through the darkness
C# **G#m**

beneath the lonely cypress

B

G#m

The town's beloved daughter

B

G#m

carried to her death in the turbid waters

Bb7

Ebm

and set afloat downstream

Ebm B Ebm

F#

Ebm F#

Ebm

Whole town erupts, bursts into flame

B

G#m

B

G#m

Parties go a-searching down the crooked road a ways

F#

Ebm

F#

Ebm

Find old Rufus there drunk and asleep

B

G#m

B

G#m

Fishing by the water must have killed our beloved daughter

F#

Ebm F#

Ebm

Can't hold back these waves of anger

B

G#m

Tie a rope around his neck

B

G#m

See if he still hollers

Bb7

Ebm

Another innocent soul hangs over the briar

Ebm Ebm Ebm