

Ode To Mel Bay
Chet Atkins

Ode to Mel Bay - Chet Atkins and Tommy Emmanuel

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Intro

Notes: D Ab D B dd B A, ddd E F F#...
Chords: D D D D A A A B C C#...

[Verse 1]

D G
Mel Bay, in your manual, you taught us how to hold a pick
D A
You got to hold it in this manner, to play them fancy licks
D G
Now we re happily strummin along, and you ought to hear us play
D A7 D
And I guess we owe it all to you, thanks a lot, Mel Bay

[Chorus]

D G
Mel Bay, Mel Bay, we just wanna say
D A D
We wouldn t know what we re doin, if you hadn t shown the way
D G
Mel Bay, Mel Bay, everytime we play,
D A7 D
we re always thinking of you, and hope you have a nice day

(Play Red River Valley - badly)

Chords: D
Notes: A D F#, F# F# F#, E F# E D

Chords: D A
Notes: A D F#, D F# A, G F# E

Chords: D G
Notes: A G F#, F# E D, E F# A G

Chords: G D A D
Notes: B B A, C# D E, F# E D

[Verse 2]

D **G** **D**
 On page 21, you showed us how to play a G
D **A7**
 On page 22, you showed us how to play a D
D **G**
 But Lawdy, oh lawdy, we never learned to play an E,
D **A7** **D**
 cause someone in the outhouse, stole page 23

[Verse 3]

D **G**
 I m goin down to Goodins, to buy me a ukelele
D **A7**
 I wanna learn to play Gershin, on the uke-le-le
D **G**
 I just bought your book, Mel Bay, on how to play the fiddle
D **A7** **D**
 I can play, on that high string, and those two in the middle

(Play Ode to Mel Bay verse chords and melody - badly)

Chords: **D**

Notes: aa **A F# D, D D E D F#**,

Chords: **D** **A**

Notes: **A A B F# D, E E F# G# A**

Chords: **D** **G**

Notes: **A A B F# D, G G A A# B**

Chords:

D **A** **D**

Notes: **A A A B F# D, E E F# E D**

[Chorus] - key change (**E A B**)

E **A**
 Mel Bay, Mel Bay, we just wanna say
E **B**
 We wouldn t know what we re doin, if you hadn t shown the way
E **A**
 Mel Bay, Mel Bay, everytime we play,
E **B7** **E**
 we re always thinking of you, Mel Bay, and hope you have a nice day

[Verse 4]

E **A**
 We re available for dances, that wouldn t be a task
E **B**
 and ready to sign autographs, if anyone should ask
E **A**

You know we re gettin better, than we ever thought we could

E **B7** **E**
Please send us another book and we ll play twice as good

[Chorus]

E **A**
Mel Bay, Mel Bay, we just wanna say
E **B** **E**
We wouldn t know what we re doin, if you hadn t shown the way
E **A**
Mel Bay, Mel Bay, everytime we play,
E **B7** **E**
we always thinking of you and hope you have a nice day

(Play Ode to Mel Bay verse chords and melody - badly)

Chords: **E**

Notes: **Bb B G# E, E E F# E G#,**

Chords: **E** **B**

Notes: **B B C# G# E, F# F# G# A# B**

Chords: **E** **A**

Notes: **B B C# G# E, A A B C C#**

Chords: **E** **B** **E**

Notes: **B B B C# G# E, F# F# G# F# E**

[Repeat chorus instrumental]