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Cole Porter

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[Chords by Joan's Genius 2008]

This is my most favorite song. The chords below are based on my 2 favorite covers of this:

- (1) a very slow & quiet blues rendition by Holly Cole &
- (2) a very fast & lively cajun version by David Byrne.

* I've revised this to include the intros (about Wildcat Kelley) that are in the original version. Feel free to sing it with or without these sections.

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A **D**
Wildcat Kelley, lookin mighty pale
A **E7**
Was standing by the sheriff's side
A **D**
And when the sheriff said, "I'm sending you to jail"
E **A**
Wildcat raised his head and cried

E **E7** **A**
Oh, give me land, lots of land under starry skies above

E
Don't fence me in
E
Let me ride through the wide-open country that I love

E **E7** **A**
Don't fence me in

A **A7**
Oh let me be by myself in the evening breeze

D **Dm**
Listen to the murmur of the cottonwood trees

A **A7**
Send me off forever, but I ask you, please

E **E7** **A**
Don't fence me in

A7 **D** **A**
Just let me loose // Let me straddle my old saddle underneath the western
skies

A7 **D** **A**

On my cayuse // Let me wonder over yonder till I see the mountains rise
E E7 A A7
I want to ride to the ridge where the West commences
D Dm A A7 D
Dm
Gaze at the moon until I lose my senses // Can t look at hobbles & I can t
stand fences
E E7 A
Don t fence me in

(Solo)

A D
Wildcat Kelley, back again in town
A E7
Was standin by his sweetheartâ€™s side
A D
And when his sweetheart said, â€œcome on, letâ€™s settle downâ€•
E A
Wildcat raised his head and cried

(repeat from â€œOh give me landâ€•)

E E7 A
Don t fence me in!