

The King Must Die
Elton John

Intro: **Ebm - Ebm/C - Bmaj7 - Bbm - Bb7**
Ebm - Ebm/C - B - Bbsus - Bb7

Ebm7 **G#** **C#/G - G#**
No man s a jester playing Shakespeare
F# **G#** **G#sus4-G#**
Round your throne room floor
G#m7
While the juggler s act is danced upon
Bb7sus4 **Bb** **Ebm7** **G#/D**
The crown that you once wore

Ebm7 **G#** **C#/G - G#**
And sooner or later
F# **G#** **G#sus4-G#**
Everybody s kingdom must end
G#m7
And I m so afraid your courtiers
Bb7sus4 **Bb** **Ebm7**
Cannot be called best friends

G#
Caesar s had your troubles
Ebm **C#** **Ebm** **C#-Ebm**
Widows had to cry
G#
While mercenaries in cloisters sing
F7/G# **Bbsus4** **Bb7**
And the king must die

Interlude: **Ebm-Ebm/C-Bmaj7-Bbm-Bb7**

Ebm7 **G#** **C#/G - G#**
Some men are better staying sailors
F# **G#** **G#sus4-G#**

Take my word and go

G#m7

But tell the ostler that his name was

Bb7sus4 **Bb Ebm7 G#/D**

The very first they chose

Ebm7 **G# C#/G - G#**

And if my hands are stained forever

F# G# G#sus4-G#

And the altar should refuse me

G#m7

Would you let me in, would you let me in, would you let me in

Bb7sus4 Bb Ebm7

Should I cry sanctuary

G#

Caesar s had your troubles

Ebm C# Ebm C#-Ebm

Widows had to cry

G#

While mercenaries in cloisters sing

F7/G# Bbsus4 Bb7

And the king must die

Interlude: **Ebm-Ebm/C-Bmaj7-Bbm-Bb7 (x2)**

Ebm7 G# C#/G - G#

No man s a jester playing Shakespeare

F# G# G#sus4-G#

Round your throne room floor

G#m7

While the juggler s act is danced upon

Bb7sus4 Bb Ebm7

The crown that you once wore

G#/D Ebm7 Bbm-Bb7

The king must die

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G#/D Ebm7 Bbm-Bb7

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G#/D **Ebm7** **Ebm-Ebm/C-Bmaj7-Bbm7**

The king is dead

B **Bbm** **Ebsus** **Eb**

Long live the king