

The King Must Die
Elton John

Intro: Cm - Cm/C - G#maj7 - Gm - G7
Cm - Cm/C - G# - Gsus - G7

Cm7 F Bb/G - F
No man s a jester playing Shakespeare
Eb F Fsus4-F
Round your throne room floor
Fm7
While the juggler s act is danced upon
G7sus4 G Cm7 F/D
The crown that you once wore

Cm7 F Bb/G - F
And sooner or later
Eb F Fsus4-F
Everybody s kingdom must end
Fm7
And I m so afraid your courtiers
G7sus4 G Cm7
Cannot be called best friends

F
Caesar s had your troubles
Cm Bb Cm Bb-Cm
Widows had to cry
F
While mercenaries in cloisters sing
D7/G# Gsus4 G7
And the king must die

Interlude: Cm-Cm/C-G#maj7-Gm-G7

Cm7 F Bb/G - F
Some men are better staying sailors
Eb F Fsus4-F

Take my word and go

Fm7

But tell the ostler that his name was

G7sus4 **G Cm7 F/D**

The very first they chose

Cm7 **F Bb/G - F**

And if my hands are stained forever

Eb **F Fsus4-F**

And the altar should refuse me

Fm7

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

G7sus4 **G Cm7**

Should I cry sanctuary

F

Caesar s had your troubles

Cm Bb Cm Bb-Cm

Widows had to cry

F

While mercenaries in cloisters sing

D7/G# Gsus4 G7

And the king must die

Interlude: **Cm-Cm/C-G#maj7-Gm-G7 (x2)**

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No man s a jester playing Shakespeare

Eb **F Fsus4-F**

Round your throne room floor

Fm7

While the juggler s act is danced upon

G7sus4 **G Cm7**

The crown that you once wore

F/D **Cm7 Gm-G7**

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F/D Cm7 Cm-Cm/C-G#maj7-Gm7

The king is dead

G# Gm Csus C

Long live the king