

**Indoor Fireworks**  
**Elvis Costello**

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@SONG: Indoor Fireworks  
Elvis Costello  
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(Chords in concert pitch, try playing capo 2nd fret with D, A, G, Em forms)

**E**

We play these parlour games

We play at make believe

**A        E/G#        F#m**

When we get to the part where I say that I m going to leave

**A        E/G#        F#m                    B                    E**

Everybody loves a happy ending but we don t even try

**A        E/G#        F#m**

We go straight past pretending

**B**

To the part where everybody loves to cry  
(chorus)

**E**

Indoor fireworks  
Can still burn your fingers

**B**

Indoor fireworks

**E**

We swore we were safe as houses  
They re not so spectacular

**A        E/G#        F#m**

They don t burn up in the sky

But they can dazzle or delight

**B**

Or bring a tear

**E**

When the smoke gets in your eyes

You were the spice of life  
The gin in my vermouth  
And though the sparks would fly  
I thought our love was fireproof  
Sometimes we'd fight in public darling  
With very little cause  
But different kinds of sparks would fly  
When we got on our own behind closed doors

(chorus)

It's time to tell the truth  
These things have to be faced  
My fuse is burning out  
And all that powder's gone to waste  
Don't think for a moment dear that we'll ever be through  
I'll build a bonfire of my dreams  
And burn a broken effigy of me and you

(chorus)

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