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A guy kept requesting this song and i couldn t find a simple chord chart on here so here one is, it is only a rough guide but it should get you through a performance.

(D to Am7 vamp throughout most of verse, listen to the song for the picking)

[Verse]

D-Am7

It was raining hard in Frisco, I needed one more fair to make my night,

C Bb D

A lady up ahead waved to flag me down and she got in at the light,

D-Am7

Where are you going my lady blue, its a shame you ruined you gown in the rain,

C Bb D

She just looked out the window, she said sixteen parkside lane,

D-Am7

Something about her was familiar, I could swear I seen that face before,

C Bb D

But she said Im sure your mistaken, and she didnt say anything more,

D-Am7

It took a while but she looked in the mirror and she glanced at the license

C Bb

for my name, A smile seemed to come to her slowly, it was a sad smile just

D

the same,

G D C G D

And she said how are you Harry, I said How are you Sue,

G Em D Bm C Bb D

Through the too many miles and two little smiles I still--- remember you

D-Am7

It was somewhere in a fairy tale, I used to drive her home in my car,

C Bb

We learned about love in the back of a Dodge, the lessons hadnâ€™t gone to

D

far,

G Em D Bm

You see she was gonna be an actress, and I was gonna learn to fly

G **Bm** **C** **Bb** **D**
She took off to find the footlights, I took off to find the sky

[Bridge]

C **Bm** **E**
Ive got something inside me, to make a princess blind,
C **Em** **Am** **Em** **C** **Em** **Am** **D** **Em**
There s a wild man wizard hes hiding in me, illuminatin my mind,
C **Bm** **E**
Ive got something inside me, not what my life s about
C **Em** **Am** **Em** **C** **Em** **Am** **F**
Cause Ive been letting my outside tide me over till my time runs out

Weird high singing interlude, I just play some jazzy 7 chords. If anyone has the chords or lyrics for this section please post or send them to me.

[Verse]

D-Am7
There was not much more for us to talk about, whatever we once had was gone,
C **Bb**
So I turned my cab into the driveway, past the gate and the fine trimmed
D
lawn,
D-Am7
And she said we must get together, but I knew It d never be arranged
C **Bb**
So she hand me twenty dollar for a two fifty fare and said Harry, Keep the
D
change

D-Am7 (same chords and timing but full strum not picked)
Well another man might have been angry, and another man might have been
C **Bb**
hurt, but another man never would have let her go, I stashed the bill in my
D
shirt,

G **Em** **D** **Bm**
And she walked away in silence, its strange how you never know,
G **D** **Em** **G** **D**
But we d both gotten what we d asked for, such a long, long, time ago,

D-Am7 (Strummed)

You see she was gonna be an actress, and I was gonna learn to fly,
C **Bb** **D**

She took off to find the footlights, I took off to find the sky

G D C G D

And here s she s acting happy, inside her handsome home,

G D Bm C Bb D-Am7

and me I fly in my taxi, taking tips and gettin stoned

G A D-Am7

I go fly---ing so high, when Im stoned