

The Desert Babbler
Iron & Wine

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Song: The Desert Babbler
Album: Ghost on Ghost
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Standard Tuning: CAPO II

Chords used:

EAFGBe
Am: 002210
Bm: 224432
C: 032010
D: 000232
Em: 022000
G: 320033

Intro: [G - C - Am - D]x2

Verse 1 chords:

G C Am
It s New Year s Eve
D
and California s gonna kill you soon
G C Am
The Barstow boys
D
buckeyes in the shadow of the moon

Verse 2 chords:

G C Am

Black houses in the hill and roadside hearts

D

Dying for a place to fall apart

G C Am

Who knew what you could learn to live without

D

Mother Mary s lying in your mouth

Bm **Em** **Am**
Back home the kitchen s warm with Christmas wine
D
and every girl has got an axe to grind
Bm **Em**
You left to look for heaven
Am **D**
But you re far from that hard light tonight

Verse 3: [use verse 1 chords]
So quietly we've lost another year
the desert put a babbler in your ear
mean firewood and I miss you again
Barstow boys are spit into the wind

Chorus 2: [use chorus 1 chords]
Back home the hammer always has to fall
crosses barely hanging on the wall
Someday I know you ll never leave me
But we re far from that hard light tonight