Tea And Sympathy Janis Ian

Song: Tea and sympathy (LIVE version)

Artist: Janis Ian Composer: Janis Ian

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NOTE:

This tab is based on the live 1976 Old Grey Whistle Test performance, which differs in the intro and coda from the original album version. Below is a link to the live video, the song starts at [0:44]: www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z9-EMi87--Y

The performance has a simpler intro and coda from the album version.

During the coda Janis plays an arpeggio on a Bb shape that slides up two frets to a C shape, but she doesn t play the top string on either. She sings a G against the Bb which adds the 6th, so you can choose to play a Bb, or the fuller Bb6 shape adding the top string in.

CAPO: 2nd fret (Will then sound in the performance key of A)

Chord names and fret positions are relative to the capo:

G = 320003 B7 = x21202 Em7 = 022030 C/G = 3x2013 Em = xx2000 Bm = x24432 Am7 = x02010 Em7/D = xx0000 D9/F# = 200210

D7 = xx0212 **Cmaj7** = x32000 **Bb6** = x13333 or **Bb** = x1333x

D/F# = 20023x A7 = x02020 C = x3555x

Emadd9 = 024000

An alternative voicing for the progression in the last line of the verses: $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{5}433$ $\mathbf{D}/\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{4}232$ $\mathbf{Em} = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{2}000$ $\mathbf{Em}\mathbf{7}/\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{0}000$ $\mathbf{Cmaj7} = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{3}\mathbf{2}000$

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[Intro]
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G C/G G C/G G C/G
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[Verse 1]

G Am7 D7 G D/F#
I don t want to ride... the milk train any - more,
Emadd9 Am7 B7 Em Em7/D

I ll go to bed at nine, and waken with the dawn,

Cmaj7 G D/F# Emadd9

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And lunch at half past noon, ...dinner prompt at five,
        D/F# Em Em7/D Cmaj7
The comfort of a few old friends, long passed their prime!
[Verse 2]
Am7
                Α7
                            A7sus4
                                             A7
Pass the tea and sympathy, for the good old days long gone,
    Cmaj7 G D/F# Em7
Let s drink a toast to those who most be - lieve in what they ve won,
                        A7 A7sus4 A7
It s a long, long time til morning plays wasted on the dawn,
         D/F# Em Em7/D D7 G C/G G C/G
  I ll not write a - nother line, for my true love is gone!
[Verse 3]
                     Am7
                                   G D/F#
    G
                              D7
And when the guests have done, I ll tidy up the room,
    Emadd9 Am7
                          B7 Em Em7/D
I ll turn the covers down, and gazing at the moon,
            G D/F#
I ll pray to go quite mad, ...and live in long a - go,
    G D/F# Em Em7/D Cmaj7
When you and I were one, so very long ago!
[Verse 4]
                      A7sus4
Am7
                Α7
Pass the tea and sympathy, for the good old days long gone,
           G D/F#
Cmaj7
                                    Em7
Let s drink a toast to those who most be - lieve in what they ve won,
                         A7
                                   A7sus4
It s a long, long time til morning plays wasted on the dawn,
   D/F#
                       Cmaj7 D7
                                               G C/G G C/G
                  \mathbf{Em}
I ll not write a - nother line, for my true love is gone!
[Verse 5]
   G
                Am7 D7
And when I have no dreams to give you any - more,
                Am7
                         в7
I ll light a blazing fire, and wait within the door,
                  G
                       D/F\# Em7
And throw my life a - way, I wonder why! they all will say,
                           D9/F#
Now I lay me down to sleep for - ever, and a day!
[Verse 6]
Am7
                   A7
                               A7sus4
   Pass the tea and sympathy, for the good old days are dead,
                    G
                               D/F# Em7
     Cmaj7
                                                         Bm
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