

**I Heard That Lonesome Whistle Blow**  
**Johnny Cash**

Capo on fret #3

Intro: **G D G**

**G**  
I was ridin Number Nine,  
**C** **G**  
Headin south from Caroline.  
**G** **D** **G**  
I heard that lonesome whistle blow.  
**G**  
Got in trouble, had to roam,  
**C** **G**  
Left my gal an left my home.  
**G** **D** **G**  
I heard that lonesome whistle blow.

**C**  
Just a kid, actin smart,  
**G**  
I went and broke my darling s heart,  
**D**  
I guess I was too young to know.  
**G**  
They took me off the Georgia Main,  
**C** **G**  
Locked me to a ball and chain.  
**G** **D** **G**  
I heard that lonesome whistle blow.

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**G**  
All alone I bear the shame,  
**C** **G**  
I m a number, not a name.  
**G** **D** **G**  
I heard that lonesome whistle blow.  
**G**  
All I do is sit an cry  
**C** **G**  
When the evenin train goes by.  
**G** **D** **G**  
I heard that lonesome whistle blow.

**C**

I ll be locked here in this cell

**G**

Till my body s just a shell

**D**

An my hair turns whiter than snow.

**G**

I ll never see that gal of mine.

**C**

**G**

Lord, I m in Georgia doin time.

**G**

**D**

**G**

I heard that lonesome whistle blow.