

**Black Diamond Strings**  
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**G** **C**  
My first guitar was a loaner, an old off brand my cousin let me keep  
**D** **G**  
Back when I was learning how to play like the boys in Tennessee  
**G** **C**  
Iâ€™d sit up every night and pick it until my fingers turned green  
**D** **G**  
Hell I learned how to make her talk on these Black Diamond Strings

**G** **C**  
Well Daddy showed me three chords but Jimmy Steele taught me how to play  
**D** **G**  
He showed me the G run Iâ€™m still using today  
**G** **C**  
I thought it surely must be magic the way he made it ring  
**D** **G**  
But he said it ainâ€™t no secret son, Itâ€™s these Black Diamond Strings.

**G** **Em** **C** **G**  
Well I donâ€™t know if they still make â€œem, back then they were the best.  
**Em** **A** **D**  
A good time didnâ€™t cost much, two ninety five a set  
**G** **C**  
Back before I left Faye Ellen to chase my hillbilly dream.  
**D** **G**  
All it took to make me happy was an old guitar and Black Diamond Strings.

(Break)

**G** **C**  
Now Iâ€™ve been to the mountain top; had my share of troubles too.  
**D** **G**  
But if I could do it all again, Lord I know just what Iâ€™d do  
**G** **C**  
Because if I could have just one wish Iâ€™d take a trip back in a time machine  
**D** **G**  
To the day I learned to play the Wildwood Flower on Black Diamond Strings

(Chorus)

**G** **C**  
Back before I left Faye Ellen to chase my hillbilly dream  
**D** **G**  
All it took to make me happy was this old box and Black Diamond Strings