

**Alas I Cannot Swim**  
**Laura Marling**

Put a capo on the third fret :D

**C** **F** **C**  
there s a house across the river but alas i cannot swim  
**C** **D**  
and a garden of such beauty that the flowers seem to grin  
**C** **F** **C**  
there s a house across the river but alas i cannot swim  
**C** **D** **C**  
Iâ€™ll live my life regretting that i never jumped in

**F C F C F C C**

**C** **F** **C**  
there s a boy across the river with short black curly hair  
**C** **D**  
he wants to be my lover and i want to be his peer  
**C** **F** **C**  
there s a boy across the river but alas i cannot swim  
**C** **D** **C**  
And i never will get to put my arms around him

**F C F C F C C**

**C** **F** **C**  
there s a life across the river that was meant for me  
**C** **D**  
instead i live my life in constant misery  
**C** **F** **C**  
there s a life across the river but i do not see  
**C** **D** **C**  
why i should please those who will never be pleased

**F C F C F C C**

**Em** **C** **Em**  
there is gold across the river but i dont want none  
**Em** **F** **C**  
there is gold across the river but i dont want none  
**Em** **F** **C**  
gold is fleeting, gold is fickle, gold is fun  
**Em** **D** **C**  
gold is fleeting, gold is fickle, gold is fun  
**C** **F** **C**  
there is gold across the river but i dont want none

**C** **D**  
i would rather be tried than held up by a golden gun  
**C** **C** **F** **C**  
saying work more, earn more, live more, have more fun  
**C** **C** **F** **C**  
saying work more, earn more, live more, have more fun  
**C** **C** **F** **C**  
saying work more, earn more, live more, have more fun

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