

Wilderness

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Album: Torn Again

Song: Wilderness

Tuning: Standard

G

We were marchin down the orange plank road

Em G

when the federals first we spied.

Am G Am Am/B C

By the old wilderness tavern the armies did collide.

G Am Am/B C

Lead began to fill and whistle through the air

G Am D G

and the dead and dying piled up, their blood was everywhere.

C G Am Am/B C

In the wilderness, I was just seventeen.

G Am D

By far the bloody angle was the worst I d ever seen

C G

In the wilderness

G

Em G

We broke in disorder and fled into the pines.

Am G Am Am/B C

Tangled in the underbrush, we couldn t find our lines.

G Am Am/B C

We faced them there for hours, till it grew too dark to fight.

G Am D G

And the groans and cries for water went unanswered in the night.

C G Am Am/B C

In the wilderness, the early days of june.

G Am D

Lyin with the dyin, neath the green virginia moon.

C G Am Am/B C

In the wilderness, where the devil tempted christ,

G Am D

Lee got on the radio and ordered up a strike.

C G

In the wilderness.

C G Am Am/B C

So we set the woods on fire, stopped them in their tracks.

C G Am Am/B C

We laughed as we saw them runnin, shot them in the backs.

C G Am Am/B C

They never saw it comin from the guns up in the trees.

G Am D

So we let them have it one more time as they fell down to their knees.

C G

In the wilderness.

instrumental

G Em D/F# G C Am/B Am D Em D/F# G F D/F# G

G Em G

I was way out in the wilderness with the stonewall brigade.

Am G Am Am/B C

The captain saw my wounds and said son prayin aint my trade.

G Am Am/B C

Jets were roarin over, we beheld the pride of mars,

G Am D G

With hearts the size of houses and eyes ablaze like stars.

C G Am Am/B C

In the wilderness the serpent wears a crown,

G Am D

but their were angels in the treetops as I lay my body down.

C G Am Am/B C

In the wilderness I was just seventeen,

G Am D

by far the bloody angle was the worst i d ever see.

C G

In the wilderness.