

England

Ralph McTell

Artist: Ralph McTell

Song: England

Capo: Optional

Tuning: Standard

Pattern: Finger Picking

C **F** **C**
What is it about you, makes me feel this way?

C **Am**
When I m leaving you, when I m coming home

F **G**
I m lost for words to say.

C
And I know your faults and failures,

F **C**
And the troubles that you ve been through.

Bb **Dm**
But it s more about what happens now

Dm7 **G**
And what were coming to.

C **F**
And the echo from the green hills

C **F**
Runs through her city streets,

Dm **F**
And the sun that shines on England

G **C**
Well it lifts the heart in me.

C **F** **C** **F** **C** **F** **Am** **Dm** **G**
England, oh England

C **F** **C** **F** **Dm** **F** **G** **C**
England, oh England

C **F** **C**
What is it about you, that took men into war?

C **Am**
Rows and rows of crosses:

F **G**
Who remembers why what for?

C
The corners of these foreign fields,

F **C**
The dust in them concealed.

Bb **Dm**

Out of sight but not out of mind,
Dm7 **G**
Don't you know that England feels?

C **F**
And the echo from the green hills
C **F**
Runs through her city streets,
Dm **F**
The rain that falls on England
G **C**
Well it washes care from me.

C **F** **C** **F** **C** **F** **Am** **Dm** **G**
England, oh England
C **F** **C** **F** **Dm** **F** **G** **C**
England, oh England

C **F** **C**
Don't make this out a battle hymn or a song of victory.
C **Am**
It's just a way to try to say
F **G**
what England means to me.
C
And our accents and our colours change
F **C**
From the city to the farmland
Bb **Dm**
From the moor-land to the mountain,
Dm7 **G**
From the river to the sea.

C **F**
And the echo from the green hills
C **F**
Runs through her city streets,
Dm **F**
The rain that falls on England
G **C**
Well it washes care from me.

C **F** **C** **F** **C** **F** **Am** **Dm** **G**
England, oh England
C **F** **C** **F** **Dm** **F** **G** **C**
England, oh England

C **F** **C**
From the rolling road to the winding lane,
C **Am**
From the field to factory,

F **G**
 From summer s haze to winter s glaze,
C
 And all the colours in between.
F **C**
 It s a stillness in the evening.
Bb **Dm**
 It s the heartbeat that I m feeling.
Dm7 **G**
 From Cornwall to Northumberland,
F **C**
 From the Pennines to the sea.

C **F**
 And the echo from the green hills
C **F**
 Runs through her city streets,
Dm **F**
 The rain that falls on England
G **C**
 Well it washes care from me.

C F C F C F Am Dm G
 England, oh England
C F C F Dm F G C
 England, oh England