

**The Mountain**  
**Steve Earle**

Tabbed by Jim Robinson  
Steve Earle  
The Mountain  
Standard Tuning, capo 2nd fret

This is the version Steve has often played solo acoustic with a little slower tempo than the album version. Find it on Youtube to hear the more subtle chord variations and turnarounds.

**C/G** **Am**  
I was born on this mountain a long time ago  
**C/G** **Dm** **F** **Am**  
Before they knocked down the timber and strip-mined the coal  
**C/G** **Am**  
When you rose in the mornin before it was light  
**C/G** **Dm** **Am** **G**  
To go down in that dark hole and come back up at night

**C/G** **Am**  
I was born on this mountain, this mountain s my home  
**C/G** **Dm** **F** **G**  
She holds me and keeps me from worry and woe  
**C/G** **Am**  
Well, they took everything that she gave, now they re gone  
**C/G** **Dm** **F** **C/G**  
But I ll die on this mountain, this mountain s my home

**C/G** **Am**  
I was young on this mountain but now I am old  
**C/G** **Dm** **F** **Am**  
And I knew every holler, every cool swimmin hole  
**C/G** **Am**  
Till one night I lay down and woke up to find  
**C/G** **Dm** **F** **Am**  
**G**  
That my childhood was over and I went down in the mine

**C/G** **Am**  
I was born on this mountain, this mountain s my home  
**C/G** **Dm** **F** **G**  
She holds me and keeps me from worry and woe  
**C/G** **Am**  
Well, they took everything that she gave, now they re gone

SOLO

**C/G** **Am**  
 I was born on this mountain, this mountain s my home  
**C/G** **Dm** **F** **G**  
 She holds me and keeps me from worry and woe  
**C/G** **Am**  
 Well, they took everything that she gave, now they re gone  
**C/G** **Dm** **F** **C/G**  
 But I ll die on this mountain, this mountain s my home