

**Bell-Bottomed Tear**  
**The Beautiful South**

**G**  
This is the dinner prepared  
**Gmaj7**  
This is the dress that I made  
**G7**  
This is the child I brought up  
**E7 Am**  
And this is the woman you laid  
**C G**  
This is the woman you laid

**G**  
This is the perfume I wore  
**Gmaj7**  
This is the hotel we stayed  
**G7**  
This is the way that I lay  
**E7 Am**  
And this is the woman you laid  
**C G**  
This is the woman you laid

**D Bm Eb**  
We promised ourselves this is no one-night stand  
**D Bm Eb**  
Let us draw all the curtains and strike up the band  
**D Bm Eb**  
And I m thrilled by the gentlest touch of your hand  
**D7**  
We pretend

**G Gmaj7**  
There s a tear, there s a tear  
**G7 E7 Am Cm G**  
Not through confusion through fear, through fear

**G**  
This is the smile that I wore  
**Gmaj7**  
This is the song that we played  
**G7**  
This is the way that I lay  
**E7 Am**  
And this is the woman you laid  
**C G**  
This is the woman you laid

**D** **Bm Eb**  
 Next morning our eyes filled with sleepy regret  
**D** **Bm Eb**  
 A kiss and good-bye and a long cigarette  
**D** **Bm Eb**  
 But the pillow I lay on is cold and it's wet  
**D7**  
 Can't pretend

**G Gmaj7**  
 It's a tear, it's a tear  
**G7 E7 Am Cm G**  
 Not through confusion through fear, through fear  
**Dm G Bb**  
 And knowing at least that love came so near  
**Dm C G**  
 Just adds to the weight of this bell-bottomed tear  
**Gmaj7 G7 E7 Am Cm G**

**D** **Bm Eb**  
 Roll out the red carpets and unplug the phone  
**D** **Bm Eb**  
 Root out the photos you've already shown  
**D** **Bm Eb**  
 'Cos this one night you won't sleep alone  
**D7**  
 Just one night

**G Gmaj7**  
 It's a tear, it's a tear  
**G7 E7 Am Cm G**  
 Not through confusion through fear, through fear  
**Dm G Bb**  
 And knowing at least that love came so near  
**Dm C G**  
 Just adds to the weight of this bell-bottomed tear  
**Gmaj7 G7 E7 Am Cm G**

**G Gmaj7**  
 There's a tear, there's a tear  
**G7 E7 Am Cm G**  
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Originally played in E-Major