

Red Right Ankle
The Decemberists

[Intro]

	D/F#	G	
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B	-----		
G	-----		
D	-----0h2-----		
A	-----0h2-----	(x2, w/ verse chords)	
E	--2---0h2-0h2--3-----		

D/F#	G
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[Verse 1]

D/F#	G	
This is the story of your red right ankle,		and how it came to meet your leg
And how the muscle bone and sinews tangled,		and how the skin was softly shed
Em	A	Em
And how it whispered, oh, adhere to me,		for we are bound by symmetry
Em	A	D
And whatever differences our lives have been,		we together make a limb
Em	A	D/F# G D/F# G
This is the story of your red right ankle		

[Verse 2]

This is the story of your gypsy uncle, you never knew cause he was dead
And how his face was carved and ripped wrinkles, in the picture in your head
And remember how you found the key, to his hideout in the Pyrenees
But you wanted to keep his secret safe, so you threw the key away
This is the story of your gypsy uncle

[Interlude]

Em	A	Asus4	A	Em	A	Asus4	A
D/F#	G		(x2)				

[Verse 3]

This is the story of the boys who loved you, who love you now and loved you then
And some were sweet and some were cold and snuffed you, and some just laid
around in bed

And had crumbled you straight to your knees, did it cruel did it tenderly
And some had crawled their way into your heart, to rend your ventricles apart
Em **A** **G/B** **G/B Asus4 G** **G D/F# Em**
This is the story of the boys who loved you
Em **A** **G**
This is the story of your red right ankle

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