

Jambalaya (On The Bayou) (Hank Williams, 1952)

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Jambalaya by Jo Stafford (1952) (Ab @ 110); reached #3 on the *Billboard* charts

Intro G7 | G7 | C | C

C G7
Goodbye, Joe, me gotta go, me oh my oh.

C
Me gotta go, pole the pirogue down the bayou. (*pea'-row*)

G7
My Yvonne, the sweetest one, me oh my oh.

C
Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou.

Chorus

G7
Jambalaya and a crawfish pie and fillet gumbo

C
Cause tonight, I'm gonna see my ma cher a-mio.

G7
Pick guitar, fill fruit jar and be gayo,

C
Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou. **Optional Instrumental Verse**

C G7
Thibo-daux to Fontainbleau,¹ the place is buzzin', (*Theh-bah-doe'*) (*Fon-tan-oooh'*)

C
Kinfolk come to see Yvonne by the dozen.

G7
Dress in style and go hog wild, me oh my oh.

C
Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou. **Chorus**

C G7
Settle down, far from town, get me a pirogue.²

C
And I'll catch all the fish in the bayou

G7
Swap my mon to buy Yvonne what she need-o

C
Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou. **Chorus (2x)**

Outro

G7 C | G7 C
Son of a gun, we'll have big fun on the bayou.

1 The change to "Thibodaux, Fonbtaineaux" comes on the 1952 Jo Stafford cover.

2 Verse 3 is first heard in the 1952 Jo Stafford cover; it is found on the sheet music for Stafford.