

Volcano (Jimmy Buffett, Keith Sykes, Harry Dailey, 1979) (A)

Volcano by Jimmy Buffett (1979) (F @ 177)

Calypso/reggae style with distinctive
end-of-line strum pattern

Intro Chords for Chorus

Chorus

A E7 A D
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know where I'm a gonna go -
A E7 A
When the vol-cano blow.

A D A - D A
Ground she's movin' under me.

E7 A - E7 A
Tidal waves out on the sea.

D A - D A
Sulphur smoke up in the sky.

E7 A - E7 A
Pretty soon we learn to fly. **Chorus**

A D A - D A
My girl quickly say to me,

E7 A - E7 A
Mon, you better watch your feet.

D A - D A
Lava come down soft and hot.

E7 A - E7 A
You better lava me now, or lava me not. **Chorus**

A D A - D A
No time to count what I'm worth.

E7 A - E7 A
'Cause I just left the planet earth.

D A - D A
Where I go, I hope there's rum.

E7 A - E7 A
Not to wor-ry, mon-soon come. **Chorus**

Bridge

A **D** **A**
 But I don't want to land in New York City,

E7 **A**
 Don't want to land in Mexi-co.

D **A**
 Don't want to land on no Three Mile Island

E7 **A**
 Don't want to see my skin a-glow.

A **D** **A**
 Don't want to land in Comanche Sky -Park.

E7 **A**
 Or in Nashville, Tennes-see.

A **D** **A**
 Don't want to land in no San Juan airport.

E7 **A**
 Or the Yukon Territo-ry.

A **D** **A**
 Don't want to land no San Di-ego.

E7 **A**
 Don't want to land in no Buzzard's Bay.

A **D** **A**
 Don't want to land on no Eya-tollah.

E7 **A**
 I got nothing more to say

A **E7** **A** **D**
 I don't know, I don't know, I don't know where I'm a gonna go -

A **E7** **A**
 When the vol-cano blow.

A **E7** **A** **D**
 I don't know, I don't know, I don't know where I'm a gonna go -

A **E7** **A**
 When the vol-cano blow.

Note

The song and album are named for the then-dormant [Soufrière Hills volcano](#) on the island of [Montserrat](#) in the British West Indies where Buffett recorded the album in May 1979 at AIR Studios, founded in 1965 by Beatles producer Sir George Martin. The studio was destroyed by Hurricane Hugo in 1989 and Soufrière Hills erupted again in 1995. Source: [Volcano \(Jimmy Buffett song\)](#), Wikipedia, and [Behind the Song: Jimmy Buffett, "Volcano"](#), American Songwriter.

Bridge

C **F** **C**
But I don't want to land in New York City,

G7 **C**
Don't want to land in Mexi-co.

F **C**
Don't want to land on no Three Mile Island

G7 **C**
Don't want to see my skin a-glow.

C **F** **C**
Don't want to land in Comanche Sky -Park.

G7 **C**
Or in Nashville, Tennes-see.

C **F** **C**
Don't want to land in no San Juan airport.

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Or the Yukon Territo-ry.

C **F** **C**
Don't want to land no San Di-ego.

G7 **C**
Don't want to land in no Buzzard's Bay.

C **F** **C**
Don't want to land on no Eya-tollah.

G7 **C**
I got nothing more to say

C **G7** **C** **F**
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know where I'm a gonna go -

C **G7** **C**
When the vol-cano blow.

C **G7** **C** **F**
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know where I'm a gonna go -

C **G7** **C**
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D **A7** **D** **G**
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D **A7** **D**
When the vol-cano blow.

D **A7** **D** **G**
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F **Bb** **F**
But I don't want to land in New York City,

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Bb **F**
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C7 **F**
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F **Bb** **F**
Don't want to land in Comanche Sky -Park.

C7 **F**
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F **Bb** **F**
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F **Bb** **F**
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C7 **F**
Don't want to land in no Buzzard's Bay.

F **Bb** **F**
Don't want to land on no Eya-tollah.

C7 **F**
I got nothing more to say

F **C7** **F** **Bb**
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know where I'm a gonna go -

F **C7** **F**
When the vol-cano blow.

F **C7** **F** **Bb**
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know where I'm a gonna go -

F **C7** **F**
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Bridge

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G **D7** **G**
When the vol-cano blow.

G **D7** **G** **C**
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know where I'm a gonna go -

G **D7** **G**
When the vol-cano blow.