

Mister Bojangles

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Key of C

3/4

C Em Am G

v1:

C Em Am F G
I knew a man, Bojangles, and he danced for you, in worn out shoes
C Em Am F G
With silver hair, a ragged shirt, and baggy pants, the old soft shoe
F Em Em7 Am D7 Dm G7
He jumped so high, jumped so high, then he lightly touched down

chorus:

Am G Am G
Mister Bojangles, Mister Bojangles
Am G C Em Am G
Mister Bojangles, Dance

v2:

C Em Am F G
I met him in a cell in New Orleans, I was down and out
C Em Am F G F
He looked at me to be the eyes of age, as he spoke right out
Em Em7 Am D7 Dm G7
He talked of life, talked of life, then he laughed, slapped his leg a step

v3:

C Em Am F G
He said his name, Bojangles, then he danced a lick, across the cell
C Em Am F G F
He grabbed his pants a better stance, oh, he jumped up high, he clicked his heels
Em Em7 Am D7 Dm G7
He let go a laugh, let go a laugh, shook back his clothes all around -- CHORUS

v4:

C Em Am F G
He danced for those at minstrel shows and county fairs, throughout the South
C Em Am F G F
He spoke with tears of fifteen years how his dog and he, traveled about
Em Em7 Am D7 Dm G7
His dog up and died, he up and died, for 20 years he still grieved

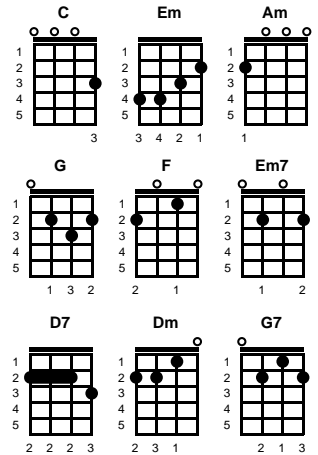
v5:

C Em Am F G
He said "I dance now at every chance in honky tonks, for drinks and tips
C Em Am F G F
But most the time I spend behind these county bars," he said "I drinks a bit"
Em Em7 Am D7 Dm G7
He shook his head, and as he shook his head, I heard someone ask please -- CHORUS

ending:

C Em Am G C

STANDARD



BARITONE

