

The Unicorn Song
Shel Silverstein

Key of C

C G7 C
4 2 2

A long time ago when the Earth was green
There was more kinds of animals than you've ever seen
They'd run around free while the earth was being born
And the loveliest of all was the u---ni---corn

And there were green alligators and long-necked geese
Some humpty backed camels and some chimpanzees
Cats and rats and elephants, but sure as you're born
The loveliest of all was the u---ni---corn

Now God seen some sinnin' and it gave him pain
He said, "Stand back, I'm going to make it rain!"
He says "hey, Brother Noah, I'll tell you what to do"
"Build me a floating zoo"

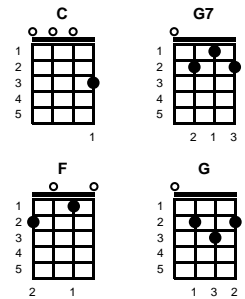
And take some of them green alligators and long-necked geese,
Some humpty backed camels and some chimpanzees
Some cats and rats and elephants, but sure as you're born
Don't you forget My u---ni---corns"

Old Noah was there to answer the call
He finished up the ark just as the rain started fallin'
He marched in the animals two by two
And he called out as they went through, "Hey Lord"

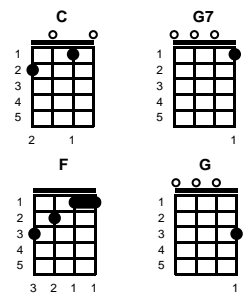
"I gotcha green alligators and long-necked geese
Some humpty backed camels and some chimpanzees
Some cats and rats and elephants, but Lord I'm so forlorn,
I just can't see no u---ni---corns!"

Then Noah looked out through the driving rain
Them unicorns were hiding, playing silly games
Kicking and splashing while the rain was pourin'
Oh, them silly u---ni---corns!

STANDARD



BARITONE



Key of C - 2

There was green alligators and long-necked geese
 Some humpty backed camels and some chimpanzees
 Noah cried, "Close the door cause the rain is fallin'"
 "And we just can't wait for no u---ni---corns!"

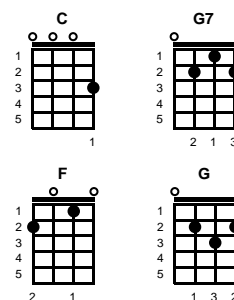
The ark started moving, it drifted with the tides
 Them unicorns looked up from the rocks and they cried
 And the waters came down and sort of floated them away
SPOKEN:
 And that's why ya never seen a unicorn to this very day

You'll see green alligators and long-necked geese
 Some humpty backed camels and some chimpanzees
 Some cats and rats and elephants, but sure as you're born
 You're never gonna see no u---ni---corn!

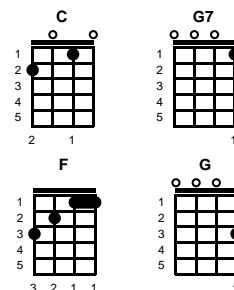
Now you might think this is the ending to the song
 But I'll have to tell you friends that in fact you're wrong
 You see, Unicorns are magical, so when the rain started pourin'
 They grew themselves some wings and they took to soaring

You'll see green alligators and long-necked geese
 Some humpty backed camels and some chimpanzees
 But if you're looking for the unicorns, don't be forlorn
 The second star to the right and straight on until morning

STANDARD



BARITONE



Key of C - 1