One Horse Open Sleigh

(James Lord Pierpont, 1857) – The Original Version of "Jingle Bells" – Version 2

Intro (last 2 lines of verse)
Dm C G7 C G7

   C
1. Dashing thro' the snow,
   C7   **F**
In a one horse open sleigh,
Dm   **G7**   **C**
O'er the hills we go, laughing all the way;
(C)   **C7**   **F**
Bells on bob tail ring, making spirits bright,
Dm   **C**
Oh what sport to ride and sing
   G7   **C**
A sleighing song to night.

   Chorus
   G7 C
   Oh, Jingle bells, Jingle bells,
          - C7
   Jingle all the way.
   F   **C**
   Oh! what joy it is to ride
      D7   **G** **- G7**
   In a one horse open sleigh.
   C
   Jingle bells, Jingle bells,
          - C7
   Jingle all the way.
   F   **C**
   Oh! what joy it is to ride
     G7   **C** **- G7**
   In a one horse open sleigh.

      C   **C7**   **F**
2. A day or two ago, I tho't I'd take a ride,
      Dm   **G7**
And soon Miss Fannie Bright,
        C
Was seated by my side.
   (C)
The horse was lean and lank,
   C7   **F**
Mis-fortune seem'd his lot,
   Dm   **C**   **G7**   **C**
He got into a drifted bank and we? We got up-sot.
Chorus

     C   **C7**   **F**
3. A day or two ago, the story I must tell,
   Dm   **G7**   **C**
I went out on the snow and on my back I fell;
   (C)   **C7**   **F**
A gent was riding by, in a one horse open sleigh,
   Dm   **C**
He laughed as there I sprawling lie,
   G7   **C**
But quickly drove a-way. **Chorus**

     C   **C7**   **F**
4. Now the ground is white, go it while you're young,
Dm   **G7**   **C**
Take the girls to-night and sing this sleighing song;
   (C)   **C7**   **F**
Just get a bob tailed bay, two forty as his speed,
Dm   **C**
Hitch him to an open sleigh
   G7   **C**
And crack, you'll take the lead. **Chorus**
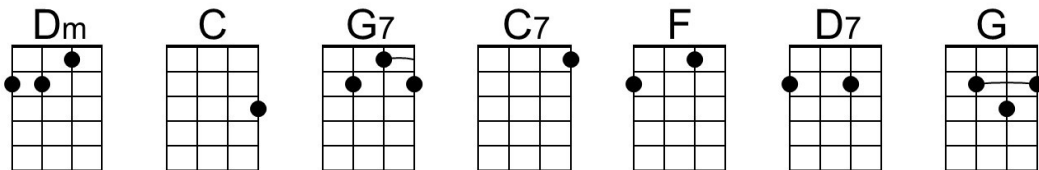
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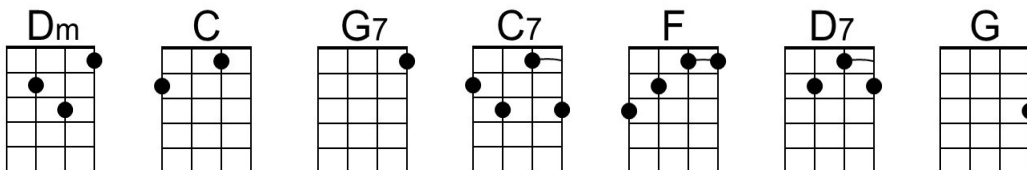
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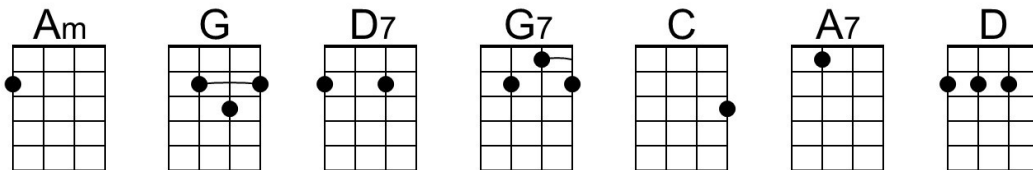 Oh, Jingle bells, Jingle bells,
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  C   **G**
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Baritone   Am   G   D7   G7   C   A7   D