

THE ROAD GOES ON FOREVER (Robert Earl Keene / The Highwaymen)

(In the first two verses, the chords are played on every up beat. After that, I alternate pick, like)

D	G	A
e -----2-----2----- -----3-----3----- -----0-----0-----		
B -----3-----3----- -----3-----3----- -----2-----2-----		
G -----2-----2----- -----0-----0----- -----2-----2-----		
D --0----- ----- -----2-----		
A -----0----- -----2----- -----0-----		
E ----- -----3----- -----0-----		

[Verse 1]

D
Sherry was a waitress At the only joint in town
G
She had a reputation As a girl who'd been around
D
Down main street after midnight Brand new pack of cigs
G
A fresh one hanging from her lips A beer between her legs
A
She'd ride down to the river And meet with all her friends

[Chorus]

G
The road goes on forever
D
And the party never ends

[Verse 2:(Willie Nelson)]

D
Sonny was a loner Bolder than the rest
G
He was goin' in the Navy But he couldn't pass the test
D
So he hung around town He sold a little pot
G
The law caught wind of Sonny One day he got caught
A
But he was back in business When they set him free again

[Chorus]

[Verse 3]

D
Sonny's playin' eight ball At the joint where Sherry works
G
When some drunken out of town Put his hand up Sherry's skirt
D
Sonny took his pool cue Laid the drunk out on the floor
G
Stuffed a dollar in her tip jar Walked on out the door
A
She's runnin' right behind him Reachin' for his hand

[Chorus]

[Verse 4]

D
They jumped into his pick-up Sonny jammed her down in gear
G
Sonny looked at Sherry Said, "Let's get out of here"
D
The stars were high above them The moon was in the east
G
The sun was setting on them When they reached Miami Beach
A
They got a motel by the water And a quart of Bombay Gin

[Chorus]

[Verse 5]

D
They soon ran out of money But Sonny knew a man
G
Who knew some Cuban refugees Who dealt in contreband
D
Sonny met the Cuban In a house just off the route
G
With a briefcase full of money And a pistol in his boot
A
The cards were on the table When the law came bustin' in

[Chorus]

[Verse 6]

D
The Cubans grabbed the goodies And Sonny grabbed the jack
G
He broke the bathroom window And climbed on out the back
D
Sherry drove the pick-up Through the alley on the side
G
Where the lawman tackled Sonny And was reading him his rights
A
She stepped out in the alley With a single shot four-ten

[Chorus]

[Verse 7]

D
They left the lawman dyin' They made their get away
G
Got back to the motel Just before the break of day
D
Sonny gave her all the money And he blew a little kiss
G
If they ask you how this happened Say i forced you into this
A
She watched him as his tail lights Disappeared around the bend

[Chorus]

[Verse 8] SINGLE STRUMS

D

There's main street after midnight Just like it was before

G

Twenty-one months later At the local grocery store

D

Sherry buys a paper And a cold six pack of beer

G

The headlines read that Sonny Is going to the chair

A

She pulls back onto main street In her new Mercedes-Benz

[Chorus]

[FADE OUT]