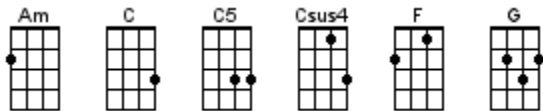


The Swimming Song

Loudon Wainwright III 1973 (as recorded by Kate & Anna McGarrigle)



INSTRUMENTAL INTRO: / 1 2 / 1 2 /

[C5] / [C5] / [C5] / [C5]

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This **[G]** summer I might have **[Am]** drowned
But I **[Am]** held my breath and I **[F]** kicked my feet
And I **[G]** moved my arms a-**[Am]**round **[Am]**
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This **[C5]** summer I **[Csus4]** did the **[C]** back stroke
And you **[G]** know that that's not **[Am]** all
I did the **[Am]** breast stroke and the **[F]** butterfly
And the **[G]** old Australian **[Am]** crawl
The **[G]** old Australian **[C]** crawl

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And a **[G]** reservoir to **[Am]** boot
At the **[Am]** latter I was in-**[F]**ormal
At the **[G]** former I wore my **[Am]** suit
I **[G]** wore my swimming **[C]** suit, yeah

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This [C5] summer [Csus4] I did [C] swan dives
And [G] jack-knives for you [Am] all
And [Am] once when you weren't [F] looking
I [G] did a cannon-[Am]ball
[G] Did a cannon-[C]ball

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