# Those Were The Days

Original Russian song Fomin and Podrevsky.

English version Gene Raskin 1960’s (as recorded by Mary Hopkins 1968)

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**INTRO: / 1 2 / 1 2 /**

**[Dm]↓** Once upon a time there was a **[Dm]↓** tavern **2 / 1 2 /**

**[D7]↓** Where we used to raise a glass or **[Gm]↓** two **2 / 1 2**

Re-**[Gm]↓**member how we laughed away the **[Dm]↓** hours **2 / 1 2**

And **[E7]↓** think of all the great things we would **[A7]↓** do **2 / 1 2 / 1**

**CHORUS:**

Those were the **[Dm]** days my friend, we **[D7]** thought they'd **[Gm]** never end

We'd sing and **[C]** dance, for-**[C7]**ever and a **[F]** day **[F]**

We'd live the **[Gm]** life we’d choose, we'd fight and **[Dm]** never lose

**[Dm]** For we were **[A7]** young, and sure to have our **[Dm]** way **[Dm]↓**

La la la **[Dm]** di, di-di, di **[D7]** di-di **[Gm]** di, di-di

Di di di **[A7]** di, di di-di di-di **[Dm]** di **[Dm]↓ 2 / 1 2 / 1 2 /**

**[Dm]↓** Then the busy years went rushing **[Dm]↓** by us **2 / 1 2**

We **[D7]↓** lost our starry notions on the **[Gm]↓** way **2 / 1 2 /**

**[Gm]↓** If by chance I'd see you in the **[Dm]↓** tavern **2 / 1 2**

We'd **[E7]↓** smile at one another and we'd **[A7]↓** say **2 / 1 2 / 1**

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We'd live the **[Gm]** life we’d choose, we'd fight and **[Dm]** never lose

**[Dm]** Those were the **[A7]** days, oh yes, those were the **[Dm]↓** days

La la la **[Dm]** di, di-di, di **[D7]** di-di **[Gm]** di, di-di

Di di di **[A7]** di, di di-di di-di **[Dm]** di **[Dm]↓ 2 / 1 2 / 1 2 /**

**[Dm]↓** Just tonight I stood before the **[Dm]↓** tavern **2 / 1 2 /**

**[D7]↓** Nothing seemed the way it used to **[Gm]↓** be **2 / 1 2 /**

**[Gm]↓** In the glass I saw a strange re-**[Dm]↓**flection **2 / 1 2 /**

**[E7]↓** Was that lonely woman really **[A7]↓** me? **2 / 1 2 / 1**

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We'd live the **[Gm]** life we’d choose, we'd fight and **[Dm]** never lose

**[Dm]** Those were the **[A7]** days, oh yes, those were the **[Dm]** days **[Dm]↓**

La da da **[Dm]** da, da da, la **[D7]** da da **[Gm]** la, da-da

La da da **[C]** da, la **[C7]** da da da da **[F]** da **[F]**

La da da **[Gm]** da, da-da, la da da **[Dm]** da, da-da

**[Dm]** La da da **[A7]** da, la da da da da **[Dm]** da **[Dm]↓ 2 / 1 2 / 1 2 /**

**[Dm]↓** Through the door there came familiar **[Dm]↓** laughter **2 / 1 2**

I **[D7]↓** saw your face and heard you call my **[Gm]↓** name **2 / 1 2 /**

**[Gm]↓** Oh my friend we're older but no **[Dm]↓** wiser **2 / 1 2**

For **[E7]↓** in our hearts the dreams are still the **[A7]↓** same **2 / 1 2 / 1**

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**[Dm]** Those were the **[A7]** days, oh yes, those were the **[Dm]↓** days

La da da **[Dm]** da, da da, la **[D7]** da da **[Gm]** la, da-da

La da da **[C]** da, la **[C7]** da da da da **[F]** da **[F]**

La da da **[Gm]** da, da-da, la da da **[Dm]** da, da-da

**[Dm]** La da da **[A7]** da, la da da da da **[Dm]** da, la da da da da

**[F]** Da, la da da da **[Gm]** da, la la lala la **[D]↓** la

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