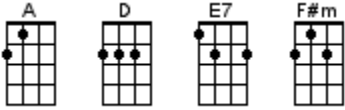


# Mountain Dew/I'll Tell Me Ma

Traditional



**INTRO:** / 1 2 / 1 2 / [A] / [A]

Let [A] grasses grow and [D] waters flow  
In a [A] free and easy [E7] way  
But [A] give me enough of the [D] fine old stuff  
That's [A] made near [E7] Galway [A] Bay  
Come [A] policemen all, from Donegal  
From [A] Sligo-Lietrim [F#m] too  
We'll [A] give 'em the slip, and we'll [D] take a sip  
Of the [A] rare old [E7] mountain [A] dew

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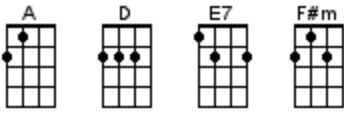
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At the [A] foot of the hill there's a [D] neat little still  
Where the [A] smoke curls up to the [E7] sky  
By the [A] smoke and the smell you can [D] plainly tell  
That there's [A] poitín [E7] brewin' near-[A]by  
It [A] fills the air, with a perfume rare  
And be-[A]twixt both me and [F#m] you  
When [A] home you stroll you can [D] take a bowl  
Or the [A] bucket of the [E7] mountain [A] dew

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Now [A] learned men, who [D] use the pen  
Have [A] wrote the praises [E7] high  
Of the [A] sweet poitín from [D] Ireland green  
Dis-[A]tilled from [E7] wheat and [A] rye  
Throw a-[A]way your pills, it'll cure all ills  
Of [A] pagan or Christian or [F#m] Jew  
Take [A] off your coat and [D] grease your throat  
With the [A] rare old [E7] mountain [A] dew



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**I'll Tell Me Ma**

**CHORUS:**

I'll [A] tell me ma when [D] I get [A] home  
 The [E7] boys won't leave the [A] girls alone  
 They [A] pull me hair and [D] stole me [A] comb  
 But [E7] that's all right, till [A] I go home  
 [A]↓ She is handsome [D]↓ she is pretty  
 [A]↓ She is the Belle of [E7]↓ Belfast city  
 [A] She is courtin' [D]↓ one [D]↓ two [D]↓ three  
 [A] Please won't you [E7] tell me [A] who is she [A]

[A] Albert Mooney [D] says he [A] loves her  
 [E7] All the boys are [A] fightin' for her  
 They [A] knock on her door, they [D] ring on her [A] bell sayin'  
 [E7] "Oh me true love [A] are you well?"  
 [A] Out she comes as [D] white as snow  
 [A] Rings on her fingers [E7] bells on her toes  
 [A] Old Jenny Murphy [D] says she'll die  
 If she [A] doesn't get the [E7] fella with the [A] rovin' eye

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Let the [A] wind and the rain and the [D] hail blow [A] high  
And the [E7] snow come shovellin' [A] from the sky  
[A] She's as sweet as [D] apple [A] pie  
And [E7] she'll get her own lad [A] by and by  
[A] When she gets a [D] lad of her own  
She [A] won't tell her ma when [E7] she gets home  
[A] Let them all come [D] as they will  
But it's [A] Albert [E7] Mooney [A] she loves still

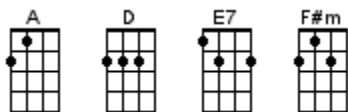
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