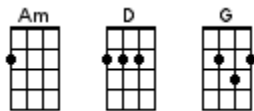


The Unicorn

Shel Silverstein 1962 (made popular by the Irish Rovers 1968)



INTRO: / 1 2 3 4 / [G] / [G]

A [G] long time ago, when the [Am] Earth was green
There was [D] more kinds of animals, than [G] you'd ever seen
They'd [G] run around free, while the [Am] Earth was bein' born
But the [G] loveliest of them all was the [Am]↓ u-[D]↓ni-[G]corn

CHORUS:

There was [G] green alligators and [Am] long-necked geese
Some [D] humpty-backed camels, and some [G] chimpanzees
Some [G] cats and rats and elephants, but [Am] sure as you're born
The [G] loveliest of all was the [Am]↓ u-[D]↓ni-[G]corn [G]

Now [G] God seen some sinnin', and it [Am] gave Him pain
And He [D] says, "Stand back, I'm goin' to [G] make it rain"
He says [G] "Hey brother Noah, I'll [Am] tell you what to do
[G] Build me a [Am]↓ floa-[D]↓tin' [G] zoo, and take some of them

CHORUS:

[G] Green alligators and [Am] long-necked geese
Some [D] humpty-backed camels, and some [G] chimpanzees
Some [G] cats and rats and elephants, but [Am] sure as you're born
[G] Don't you forget my [Am]↓ u-[D]↓ni-[G]corns [G]

Old [G] Noah was there to [Am] answer the call
He [D] finished up makin' the ark, just as the [G] rain started fallin'
He [G] marched in the animals [Am] two by two
And he [G] called out as [Am]↓ they [D]↓ went [G] through, "Hey Lord!

CHORUS:

I got your [G] green alligators and [Am] long-necked geese
Some [D] humpty-backed camels, and some [G] chimpanzees
Some [G] cats and rats and elephants, but [Am] Lord, I'm so forlorn
I [G] just can't see no [Am]↓ u-[D]↓ni-[G]corns" [G]

Then [G] Noah looked out, through the [Am] drivin' rain
Them [D] unicorns were hidin' [G] playin' silly games
[G] Kickin' and splashin' while the [Am] rain was pourin'
[G] All them silly [Am]↓ u-[D]↓ni-[G]corns

CHORUS:

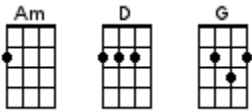
There was [G] green alligators and [Am] long-necked geese
Some [D] humpty-backed camels, and some [G] chimpanzees
Noah [G] cried, "Close the door `cause the [Am] rain is pourin'
And [G] we just can't wait for no [Am]↓ u-[D]↓ni-[G]corns" [G]

The [G] ark started movin', it [Am] drifted with the tide
The [D] unicorns looked up from the [G] rocks and they cried
And the [G] waters came down and sort of [Am]↓ floated them away

< SPOKEN > And that's why you've never seen a unicorn, to this very day...

CHORUS:

You'll see [G] green alligators and [Am] long-necked geese
Some [D] humpty-backed camels, and some [G] chimpanzees
Some [G] cats and rats and elephants, but [Am] sure as you're born
You're [G] never gonna see no [Am] u...-[D]ni...-[G]corns [G]↓ [D]↓ [G]↓



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