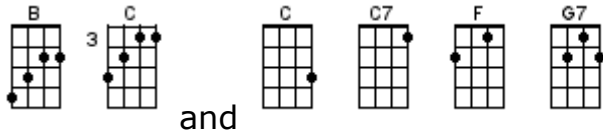


Yellow Bird

Haitian poem "Choucounè" by Oswald Durand 1883, with music composed by Michel Mauléart Monton in 1893. This English version written in 20th C by Alan & Marilyn Bergman and first recorded in 1957.



INSTRUMENTAL INTRO: / 1 2 3 4 /

[C] Yel-[B]↓low [C] bird, up [G7] high in banana [C] tree
[C] Yel-[B]↓low [C] bird, you [G7] sit all alone like [C] me

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[C] Yel-[B]↓low [C] bird, you [G7] sit all alone like [C] me
[F] Did your lady friend [C] leave the nest again?
[G7] That is very sad [C] makes me [C7] feel so bad
[F] You can fly away [C] in the sky away
[G7] You're more lucky than [C] me [B]↓ / [C] /

[C] I also had a [F] pretty girl [G7] she's not with me to-[C]day
[C] They're all the same those [F] pretty girls
[G7] Take tenderness, then they fly a-[C]way [B]↓ / [C] /

[C] Yel-[B]↓low [C] bird, up [G7] high in banana [C] tree
[C] Yel-[B]↓low [C] bird, you [G7] sit all alone like [C] me
[F] Better fly away [C] in the sky away
[G7] Picker coming soon [C] pick from [C7] night to noon
[F] Black and yellow you [C] like banana too
[G7] They might pick you some [C] day [B]↓ / [C] /

[C] Wish that I were a [F] yellow bird [G7] I'd fly away with [C] you
[C] But I am not a [F] yellow bird
[G7] So here I sit, nothing else to [C] do [B]↓ / [C] /
[C] Yel-[B]↓low [C] bird...
[C] Yel-[B]↓low [C] bird...
[C] Yel-[B]↓low [C]↓ bird

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