# Rose Garden

Joe South 1967 (as recorded by Lynn Anderson in 1970)

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**< Chords & tab after count-in OR simply play the C and G after the INTRO – all of it can be played together >**

**[C] [Eb] [F] [G] [F] [Eb] [C] [F] [Eb] [C]**

**↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓**

**A|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--**

**E|-------------1-1-|-3-3-3-1-1-1-----|-------1-1-1-----|--**

**C|-0-0-0-3-3-3-----|-------------3-3-|-0-0-0-------3---|-0**

**G|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--**

**| 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + | 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + | 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + | 1**

**OR**

**[C] [Eb] [F] [G] [F] [Eb] [C] [F] [Eb] [C]**

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**A|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--**

**E|-------------1---|-3-----1---------|-------1---------|--**

**C|-0-----3---------|-------------3---|-0-----------3---|-0**

**G|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--**

**| 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + | 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + | 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + | 1**

**INTRO: / 1 2 3 4 /**

**[C]↓ / [G]↓ / [C]↓ / [C]↓**

**CHORUS:**

I beg your **[Dm]** pardon

**[G7]** I never promised you a **[C]** rose garden

**[C]** Along with the **[Dm]** sunshine

**[G7]** There’s gotta be a little **[C]** rain sometime **[C]**

When you **[F]** take you gotta give

So **[F]** live and let live or let **[Dm]** go-o-o-whoa-**[F]**whoa

I beg your **[G7]** pardon

**[G7]** I never promised you a **[C]** rose garden **[C]**

I could **[C]** promise you things like big diamond rings

But you **[C]** don’t find roses growin’ on stalks of **[Dm]** clover

**[Dm]** So you better think it **[G7]** over **[G7]**

Well if **[C]** sweet talkin’ you could make it come true

I would **[C]** give you the world right now on a silver **[Dm]** platter

**[Dm]** But what would it **[G7]** matter? **[G7]**

**BRIDGE:**

So **[Dm]** smile for a while and **[G7]** let’s be jolly

**[Gm]** Love shouldn’t be so **[A7]** melancholy

**[Dm]** Come along and share the good times while we **[Fm]** ca-a-a-**[G7]↓**-an

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**[C]** Along with the **[Dm]** sunshine

**[G7]** There’s gotta be a little **[C]** rain sometime **[C]**

**[F]** Ahh… **[A7]** ahh… **[Dm]** ahh…

**[F]** I beg your **[G7]** pardon

**[G7]** I never promised you a **[C]** rose garden **[C]**

I could **[C]** sing you a tune and promise you the moon

But if **[C]** that’s what it takes to hold you, I’d just as soon **[Dm]** let you go

**[Dm]** But there’s one thing I **[G7]** want you to know **[G7]**

You better **[C]** look before you leap, still waters run deep

And there **[C]** won’t always be someone there to **[Dm]** pull you out

**[Dm]** And you know what I’m **[G7]** talkin’ about **[G7]**

**BRIDGE:**

So-o **[Dm]** smile for a while and **[G7]** let’s be jolly

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**[Dm]** Come along and share the good times while we **[Fm]** ca-a-a-**[G7]↓**-an

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