

The Ballad Of Wild Bill

Chords And Lyrics

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Capo on 5th fret

Intro – G-C-G-D-G

G
Wild Bill was a wild one
C G D
And he loved a pretty young philly named Josephine
G C
But one night in a snow storm - Bill didn't come home
G D G
And that was the last time - he would be seen

C
He use to sing her - sweet love songs of Christmas
G D
They walked hand and hand through the fields
G C
And one time he picked her - a dozen camellias
G D G
Said I love you forever - my sweet Josephine

Em G D
Camellias - for Christmas
C G D
She cried more tears than stars up in the sky
Em C
She waited there night after night
G C D
Praying someday she might - see him again

G C
Now year after year - and tear after tear
G D
She just couldn't give up on Bill
G C
But her father was certain - that he'd never come back
G D G
Demanded she'd marry - some boy named Badgewell

C
Well at church it was fatal - with all sorts of family
G D
They were so happy for her
G C
But she cried tears of sorrow - she prayed that she could go
G D G
Far far away - with her true love Bill

Em G D
Camellias - for Christmas
C G D
She cried more tears than stars up in the sky
Em C
She waited there night after night
G C D
Praying someday she might - see him again

C
And that's when it happened - she heard his horse whinnying
G D
She heard his sweet love song again
G C
Camellias started falling clean out of the blue sky
G D G
And there before her green eyes - was Bill's Texas grin

Em G D
Camellias for Christmas

C G D
Bill rode that old horse straight down - a lightning bolt

Em C
He told her that he'd come home

G C D
As he swept her up into his arms rode off to the stars

G
Wild Bill was a wild one

C G D G C G D G
And he loved a pretty young Philly named Josephine