

EL PASO

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The following chords are used in this song:

G Am D C

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Intro:- D (for 2 bars)

G Am
Out in the West Texas town of El Paso

D G
I fell in love with a Mexican girl

G Am
Night-time would find me in Rosa's Cantina

D G
Music would play and Felina would whirl

C
One night a wild young cowboy came in
G
Wild as the West Texas wind
Dancing and daring, a drink he was sharing

C
With wicked Falina, the girl that I loved

D
G Am
So in anger I challenged his right for the love of this maiden

D G
Down went his hand for the gun that he wore

Am
My challenge was answered, in less than a heartbeat

D G
The handsome young stranger lay dead on the floor

C
Out through the back door of Rosa's I ran

G
Out where the horses were tied

I caught a good one, it looked like it could run

Up on its back and away I did ride

Just as fast as I could from the West Texas town of El Paso

Out to the badlands of New Mexico

I saddled up and away I did go

Riding alone in the dark

Maybe tomorrow a bullet may find me

Tonight nothing's worse than this pain in my heart

And at last here I am on the hill over-looking El Paso

I can see Rosa's Cantina below

Off to my right I see five mounted cowboys

Off to my left ride a dozen or more

Shouting and shooting, I can't let them catch me

I have to make it to Rosa's back door

Something is dreadfully wrong for I fear

A deep burning pain in my side

Though I am trying to stay in the saddle

I'm getting weary, unable to ride

But my love for Felina is strong and I rise where I've fallen

Though I am weary I can't stop to rest

I see the white puff of smoke from the rifle

I feel the bullet go deep in my chest

Am
From out of nowhere Felina has found me

D G
Kissing my cheek as she kneels by my side

Am
Cradled by two loving arms that I'll die for

D G
One little kiss and Felina goodbye

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