

JAMAICA FAREWELL

(Lord Burgess/Sung by Harry Belefonte)

DR for LL/RB 09/23

Key: C **Start Note:** G **Time:** 4/4 **Strum:** D- du -u du (Calypso)
with Percussion

Intro: G E C E G (C chord)
A A F F A (F chord)
G G F E D C (G7 chord) C↓ 2,3,4

C **F**
....Down the way where the nights are gay
G7 **C**
And the sun shines daily on the mountain top
F
I took a trip on a sailing ship
G7 **C**
And when I reached Jamaica I made a stop

CHORUS:

C **F**
But I'm ...sad to say, I'm on my way
G7 **C**
....Won't be back for many a day
F
My heart is down, my head is turning around
G7 **C** **C**
I had to leave a little girl in Kingston town

C **F**
....Down by the market you can hear
G7 **C**
Ladies cry out while on their heads they bear
F
(Ladies sing) Ackey rice, salt fish are nice
G7 **C**
(Men sing) And the rum is fine any time of year

CHORUS:

C **F**
But I'm ...sad to say, I'm on my way
G7 **C**
....Won't be back for many a day
F
My heart is down, my head is turning around
G7 **C** **C**
I had to leave a little girl in Kingston town

C **F**
....Sounds of laughter everywhere

G7 **C**
And the dancing girls swaying to and fro
F
I must declare, my heart is there
G7 **C**
Though I've been from Maine to Mexico (Up stroke on "o")

CHORUS:

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G7 **C**
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OUTRO: G G F E D C C↓