

COTTON JENNY

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Key: G **Start Note:** B **Time:** 4/4 **Strum:** D_ du _u du

Intro: G / C / G7 / C / G / C / G7 / C

1. There's a house... on a hill, by a worn down weathered old mill
 D D7 G
In the valley be-low where the river winds, there's no such thing as bad times
 G C G
And a soft.....southern flame, oh Cotton Jenny's her name and
 D
She wakes me up when the sun goes down,
 D7 G
And the wheels of love go round

CHORUS:

 / / / C G
Wheels of love go round, love go round
 A D
Love go round....What a joyful sound
 G C D
I ain't got a penny for Cotton Jenny to spend,
 G /
But then the wheels go round

 C / G7 / C / G / C / G7 / C
 / G C G
2. When the new... day begins, I go down to the cotton gin
 D D7 G
And I make my time worthwhile to them, then I climb back up a-gain
 G C G
And she waits... by the door, oh Cotton Jenny I'm sore
 D
And she rubs my feet while the sun goes down,
 D7 G
And the wheels of love go round

CHORUS:

 / / / C G
Wheels of love go round, love go round
 A D
Love go round.... A joyful sound

G C D
I ain't got a penny for Cotton Jenny to spend,
G /
But then the wheels go round

C / G7 / C / G / C / G7 / C

/ G C G
3. In the hot... sickly South, when they say "well shut my mouth"
D D7 G
I can never be free from the cotton grind, but I know I got what's mine
G C G
She's soft... southern flame, oh Cotton Jenny's her name
D
She wakes me up when the sun goes down, and
D7 G
The wheels of love go round.

CHORUS:

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OUTRO: C / G7 / C / G / C / G7 / C / G↓