

**ABILENE**

words &amp; music by Bob Welch &amp; John Loudermilk recorded by George Hamilton (1963)

**Key:** C      **Start note:** E      **Time:** 4/4      **Strum:** d\_ du d\_ du**Intro:** D7 /// G7 /// C/ F/ C↓ (2, 3, 4)

**C**            **E7**            **F**            **C**  
*...Abilene.... Abilene.... Prettiest town... I've ever seen,*  
**D7**                            **G7**                            **C/ F/ C**  
*...Women there don't treat you mean in Abilene, my Abilene*

**C**            **E7**            **F**            **C**  
 1. ...I sit alone.... Most every night; watch them trains roll out of sight  
**D7**                            **G7**                            **C / F / C**  
 ...Wish that they were carryin' me to Abilene, my Abilene.

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**Instrumental one verse:** **C E7 F C D7 G7 C/ F/ C**

**C**            **E7**            **F**            **C**  
 2. ...Crowded city.... ain't nothin' free; nothin' in this town for me  
**D7**                            **G7**                            **C / F / C**  
 ...Wish to God that I could be in Abilene, my Abilene.

**C**            **E7**            **F**            **C**  
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**D7**                            **G7**                            **C/ F/ C**  
*...Women there don't treat you mean in Abilene, my Abilene*

**C**            **E7**            **F**            **C**  
 3. ...Rotgut whiskey.... numbs the brain; If I stay here I'll go insane.  
**D7**                            **G7**                            **C / F / C**  
 ...Think I'll need a change of scene to Abilene, my Abilene.

**C**            **E7**            **F**            **C**  
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**D7**                            **G7**                            **C/ F/ C**  
*...Women there don't treat you mean in Abilene, my Abilene*

**D7**                            **G7**                            **C / F / C↓ G7↓ C↓**  
*...Women there don't treat you mean in Abilene, my Abilene*