

# LITTLE BOXES

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**Key:** F    **Start Note:** C    **Time:** 3/4    **Strum:** D\_ du du

**Intro:** F // F // C7 // F ↓

1. Little boxes on the hillside, little boxes made of ticky-tacky  
F                      F                      Bb                      F  
F                      C7                      F                      C  
Little boxes on the hillside, little boxes all the same  
F                      F                      Bb                      F  
There's a green one, and a pink one, and a blue one, and a yellow one  
F                      C7                      F / C7↓    F    F /  
And they're all made out of ticky-tacky, and they all look just the same.
2. And the people in the houses, all went to the university  
/    F                      F                      Bb                      F  
F                      C7                      F                      C  
Where they were put in boxes, and they came out all the same  
F                      F                      Bb                      F  
And there's doctors, and there's lawyers, and business executives  
F                      C7                      F / C7↓    F    F /  
And they're all made out of ticky-tacky, and they all look just the same.
3. And they all play on the golf course, and drink their martinis dry  
/    F                      F                      Bb                      F  
F                      C7                      F                      C  
And they all have pretty children, and the children go to school  
F                      F                      Bb                      F  
And the children go to summer camp, and then to the university  
F                      C7                      F / C7↓    F    F /  
Where they are put in boxes, and they come out all the same.
4. And the boys go into business, and marry and raise a family  
/    F                      F                      Bb                      F  
F                      C7                      F                      C  
In the boxes made of ticky-tacky, and they all look just the same  
F                      F                      Bb                      F  
There's a green one, and a pink one, and a blue one, and a yellow one  
F                      C7                      F / C7↓    F    F(arp)  
And they're all made out of ticky-tacky, and they all look just the same.