

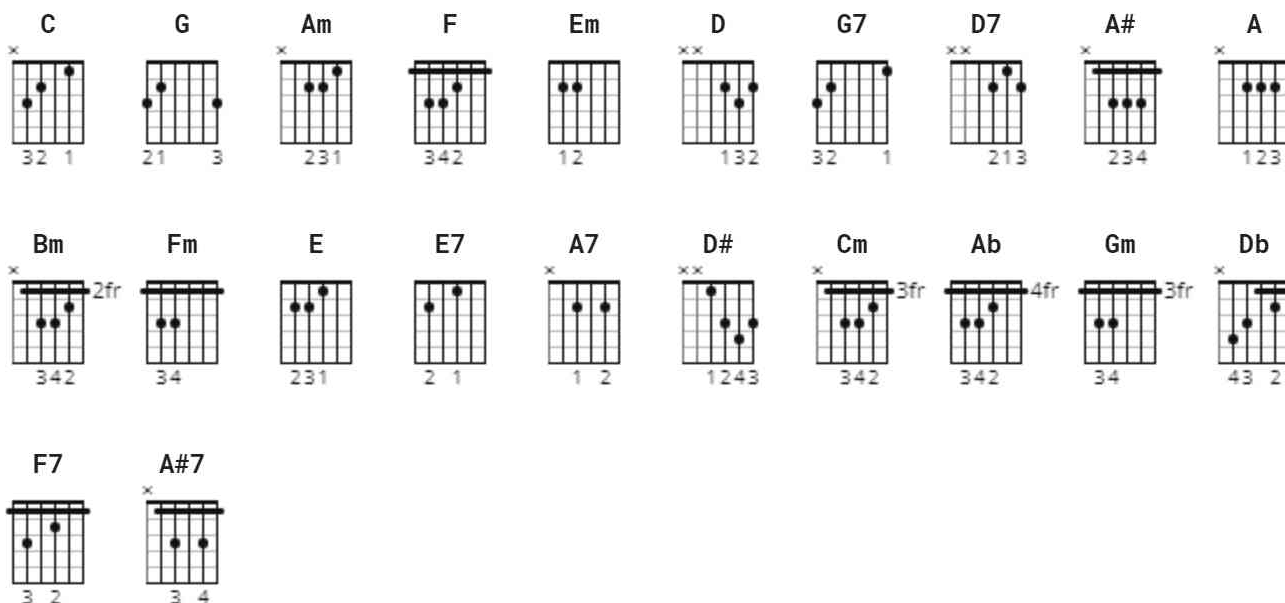
# City Of New Orleans Chords by Arlo Guthrie

Difficulty: advanced

Tuning: E A D G B E

Capo: 4th fret

## CHORDS



Chord diagrams for the following chords:

- C: x 3 2 1
- G: 2 1 3
- Am: x 2 3 1
- F: 3 4 2
- Em: 1 2
- D: x x 1 3 2
- G7: 3 2 1
- D7: x x 2 1 3
- A#: x 2 3 4
- A: x 1 2 3
- Bm: x 3 4 2 (2fr)
- Fm: 3 4
- E: 2 3 1
- E7: 2 1
- A7: x 1 2
- D#: x x 1 2 4 3
- Cm: x 3 4 2 (3fr)
- Ab: 3 4 2 (4fr)
- Gm: 3 4 (3fr)
- Db: x 4 3 2
- F7: 3 2
- A#7: x 3 4

City of New Orleans chords  
Arlo Guthrie 1972 (Steve Goodman)\*\*\*

Capo IV \*\*

[Intro]

C

[Verse 1]

C G C  
Riding on the City of New Orleans  
Am F C G  
Illinois Central, Monday morning rail  
C G C  
Fifteen cars and fifteen restless riders  
Am G C  
Three conductors and twenty-five sacks of mail.

Am Em  
All along the south bound odyssey, the train pulls out of Kankakee  
G D  
Rolls along past houses, farms and fields  
Am Em  
Passing trains that have no name, freight yards full of old black men  
G G7 C  
And the graveyards of the rusted automobiles.

[Chorus]

**F**                    **G**                    **C**  
Good morning America, how are you?

**Am**                                    **F**                                    **C**  
Say, don't you know me, I'm your native son.  
**G7**                    **C**                                    **G**                    **Am**                    **D7**  
I'm the train they call the City of New Orleans  
**A#**                    **F**                    **G**                                    **G7**                    **C**  
I'll be gone five hundred miles when the day is done.

[Verse 2]

**C**                                    **G**                                    **C**  
Dealing card games with the old men in the club car  
**Am**                                    **F**                                    **C**                    **G**  
Penny a point, ain't no one keeping score  
**C**                                    **G**                                    **C**  
Pass the paper bag that holds the bottle  
**Am**                                    **G**                                    **C**  
Feel the wheels rumblin' 'neath the floor

**Am**                                    **Em**  
And the sons of Pullman porters and the sons of engineers  
**G**                                    **D**  
Ride their fathers' magic carpets made of steel  
**Am**                                    **Em**  
Mothers with their babes asleep, rockin' to the gentle beat  
**G**                                    **G7**                                    **C**  
And the rhythm of the rails is all they feel.

[Chorus]

**F**                    **G**                    **C**  
Good morning America, how are you?

**Am**                                    **F**                                    **C**  
Say, don't you know me, I'm your native son.  
**G7**                    **C**                                    **G**                    **Am**                    **D7**  
I'm the train they call the City of New Orleans  
**A#**                    **F**                    **G**                                    **G7**                    **C**  
I'll be gone five hundred miles when the day is done.

[Verse 3]

**C**                                    **G**                                    **C**  
Night time on the City of New Orleans  
**Am**                                    **F**                                    **C**                    **G**  
Changing cars in Memphis, Tennessee  
**C**                                    **G**                                    **C**  
Halfway home, we'll be there by morning  
**Am**                                    **G**                                    **C**  
through the Mississippi darkness rolling down to the sea.

**Am** **Em**  
 But all the towns and people seem to fade into a bad dream  
**G** **D**  
 And the steel rail still ain't heard the news  
**Am** **Em**  
 The conductor sings his songs again, the passengers will please refrain  
**G** **G7** **C**  
 This train got the disappearing railroad blues.

[Chorus]

**F** **G** **C**  
 Good night America, how are you?  
**Am** **F** **C**  
 Say, don't you know me, I'm your native son.  
**G7** **C** **G** **Am** **D7**  
 I'm the train they call the City of New Orleans  
**A#** **F** **G** **G7** **C**  
 I'll be gone five hundred miles when the day is done.

\*\*\* This version: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fF1lqEQFVUo>

\*\* Alternates:

Capo II

**C** = **D**  
**G** = **A**  
**Am** = **Bm**  
**F** = **G**  
**Em** = **Fm**  
**A#** = **C**  
**D** = **E**  
**D7** = **E7**  
**G7** = **A7**

Capo I

**C** = **D#**  
**G** = **A#**  
**Am** = **Cm**  
**F** = **Ab**  
**Em** = **Gm**  
**A#** = **Db**  
**D** = **F**  
**G** = **A#**  
**D7** = **F7**  
**G7** = **A#7**

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