Intro: | C | Dm | G7 | G7   C | C  

C Dm G7  C  
Out in the West Texas town of El Paso, I fell in love with a Mexican girl  
C Dm G7  C  

Nighttime would find me in Rosa's cantina, music would play and Felina would whirl  

C Dm G7  C  
Blacker than night were the eyes of Felina, wicked and evil, while casting a spell  
C Dm G7  C C7  

My love was deep for this Mexican maiden, I was in love but in vain, I could tell  

F  C  
One night a wild young cowboy came in, wild as the West Texas wind  

F G7  
Dashing and daring, a drink he was sharing with wicked Felina, the girl that I loved, so, in anger  

C Dm G7  C  
I challenged his right for the love of this maiden, down went his hand for the gun that he wore  
C Dm G7  C  

My challenge was answered in less than a heartbeat, the handsome young stranger lay dead on the floor  

C Dm G7  C  
Just for a moment I stood there in silence, shocked by the foul evil deed I had done  
C Dm G7  C C7  

Many thoughts raced through my mind as I stood there, I had but one chance, and that was to run  

F  C  
Out through the back door of Rosa's I ran, out where the horses were tied  

F G7  
I caught a good one, it looked like it could run, up on its back and away I did ride, just as fast as I  

C Dm G7  C  
Could from the West Texas town of El Paso, out to the badlands of New Mexico  
C Dm G7  C  

Back in El Paso my life would be worthless, everything's gone in life, nothing is left  
C Dm G7  C C7  

It's been so long since I've seen the young maiden, my love is stronger than my fear of death
El Paso

C
I saddled up and away I did go, riding alone in the dark

F
Maybe tomorrow, a bullet may find me, tonight nothing's worse than this pain in my heart

G7  C  Dm  G7  C
And at last, here I am on the hill over-looking El Paso, I can see Rosa's cantina below
C  Dm  G7  C
My love is strong, and it pushes me onward, down off the hill to Felina I go

C  Dm  G7  C
Off to my right I see five mounted cowboys, off to my left ride a dozen or more
C  Dm  G7  C
Shouting and shooting, I can't let them catch me, I have to make it to Rosa's back door

G7  C  Dm  G7  C
Something is dreadfully wrong for I feel a deep burning pain in my side
F  G7
Though I am trying to stay in the saddle, I'm getting weary, unable to ride, but my love for

C  Dm  G7  C
Felina is strong, and I rise where I've fallen, though I am weary I can't stop to rest
C  Dm  G7  C
I see the white puff of smoke from the rifle, I feel the bullet go deep in my chest

C  Dm  G7  C
From out of nowhere Felina has found me, kissing my cheek as she kneels by my side
C  Dm  G7  C
Cradled by two loving arms that I'll die for, one little kiss and Felina, good-bye