



JoniMitchell.com Transcription for Guitar

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EADGBE, 'Joni' Tuning: x55545

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This is normally a piano song, at least it was when Joni originally did it on an early album. But this is from a David Crosby version from the "Alies" album. Typed from memory. Mea culpa if there's any errors. Phil-

intro: C G D G C D
G Fmaj7 Em
I slept last night in a good hotel
Am C F C
I went shopping today for jewels
G Fmaj7 Em
The wind rushed around in the dirty town
Am C F C
And the children let out from the schools
Am G
I was standing on a noisy corner
C G F C D
Waiting for the walking green
G Fmaj7 Em
Across the street he stood, and he played real good
Am C F C
On his clarinet for free

G Fmaj7 Em
Now me, I play for fortunes
Am C F C
And the velvet curtain calls
G Fmaj7 Em
I got a black limosine and a few gentlemen
Am C F C
Escorting me to these halls
Am G
And I'll play if you have the money
C G F C D
Or if you're a friend to me
G Fmaj7 Em
But the one-man-band by the quick lunch stand
Am C F C (Em D)
He was playing real good for free

G Fmaj7 Em
Nobody stopped to hear him
Am C F C
Though he played so sweet and high
G Fmaj7 Em
They knew he had never been on their TV
Am C F C
So they passed his good music by
Am G
I meant to go over and ask for a song
C G F C D
Maybe put on a harmony
G Fmaj7 Em
I heard his refrain as that signal changed
Am C F C (Em D)
He was still playing real good for free reserved