

# Hotel California

## The Eagles

Easy Version in Am minor  
(Original Key in Bm,  
capo 2<sup>nd</sup> fret to match recording)  
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### Chords Used

Am - E7 - G - D - F - C - Dm

### Strum Pattern

1 e & a 2 e & a 3 e & a 4 e & a  
D D D U U U D U D U

### [Verse]

Am E7  
On a dark desert highway, cool wind in my hair  
G D  
Warm smell of colitas rising up through the air  
F C  
Up ahead in the distance, I saw a shimmering light  
Dm  
My head grew heavy and my sight grew dim  
E7  
I had to stop for the night

Am E7  
There she stood in the doorway; I heard the mission bell  
G D  
And I was thinking to myself this could be heaven or this could be hell  
F C  
Then she lit up a candle, and she showed me the way  
Dm E7  
There were voices down the corridor, I thought I heard them say

### [Chorus]

F C  
Welcome to the Hotel California.  
E7 Am  
Such a lovely place, such a lovely face  
F C  
Plenty of room at the Hotel California  
Dm E7  
Any time of year (any time of year) you can find it here

### [Verse]

Am E7  
Her mind is Tiffany-twisted, she got the Mercedes bends  
G D  
She got a lot of pretty, pretty boys she calls friends

F C  
How they dance in the courtyard, sweet summer sweat.

Dm E7  
Some dance to remember, some dance to forget

Am E7  
So I called up the Captain, 'Please bring me my wine'

G D  
He said, 'We haven't had that spirit here since nineteen sixty nine'

F C  
And still those voices are calling from far away,

Dm  
Wake you up in the middle of the night

E7  
Just to hear them say...

[Chorus]

F C  
Welcome to the Hotel California

E7 Am  
Such a lovely place (Such a lovely place), Such a lovely face

F C  
They livin' it up at the Hotel California

Dm E7  
What a nice surprise (what a nice surprise), Bring your alibis

[Verse]

Am E7  
Mirrors on the ceiling, The pink champagne on ice

G D  
And she said 'We are all just prisoners here, of our own device'

F C  
And in the master's chambers, They gathered for the feast

Dm  
They stab it with their steely knives,

E7  
But they just can't kill the beast

Am E7  
Last thing I remember, I was running for the door

G D  
I had to find the passage back to the place I was before

F C  
'Relax,' said the night man, 'We are programmed to receive.

Dm  
You can check-out any time you like,

E7  
But you can never leave!'