

# A Cowboy's Tale

skudella (The Royal Backwash)

Lead  $\text{♩} = 140$  Am

1. This is the sto - ry 'bout a friend of mine who ne-ver learned to live with-in so-  
2. He is a lonesome cowboy and he's al - ways and for - e - ver gon - na ride a-  
3. And as he's slow - ly ri-ding all a-cross the country he is fin - al - ly

Bass

4 C Dm

L. ci - e - ty and he has al - ways been a-fraid of  
head on straight in - to the sun ways set try - ing  
grow - ing old and he is peace - ful - ly wait - ing

Bs

8 F Am

L. com - pa - ny. For he has loved so much and put all of his  
to for - get. And when you'd ask him 'bout his so - li - tute he'd  
for the cold But when the grasp of death is reach - ing for him

Bs

11 Am C

L. trust in - to the wrong one, and he feels the pain and he is  
just re - ply it's ten - der like a di mond and yet so  
he de - cides he does - n't want to die a - lone and he takes

B.

Bs

14 G G<sup>7</sup> F E E<sup>7</sup>

L. still a - fraid to be hurt a - gain.  
si - lent like an a - sy lum.  
des - ti - ny in - to hands of his own.

B.

Bs

**chorus 1** And so he  
**chorus 2** And so he

2  
18

C Am

L. rides rides rides rides rides rides rides a-cross the plains. He hopes to  
rides rides rides rides rides rides rides a-cross the plains. He does not

B.

Bs

22

E F

L. die die die die die die not suf-fer-ing in pain. He just goes  
care care care care care care suf-fer-ing in pain. He wants to

B.

Bs

26

C E

L. on on on on on on head-ed to the west And he takes  
find find find find find find the wo-man of his heart. So he can

B.

Bs

30

F G

L. pride pride pride pride pride pride in his lone-li-ness.  
die die die die die die die with-in her arms.

B.

Bs