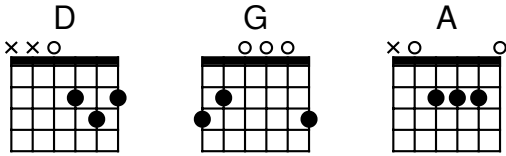


The Moonshiner

Traditional Irish (version by Clancy Brothers)



Key D 6/8 time first note sung: a

Chorus:

[D] I'm a rambler; I'm a gambler; I'm a [G] long way from home .
And [A] if you don't like me, well [D] leave me alone.
[D] I'll eat when I'm hungry and I'll [G] drink when I'm dry,
And if [A] moonshine don't kill me, I'll live 'til I [D] die.

Verse 1:

[D] I've been a moonshiner for [G] many a year;
[A] I spent all me money on [D] whiskey and beer.
[D] I'll go to some hollow and I [G] set up me still,
And I'll [A] make you a gallon fer a ten shillin [D] bill.

Chorus:

[D] I'm a rambler; I'm a gambler; I'm a [G] long way from home .
And [A] if you don't like me, well [D] leave me alone.
[D] I'll eat when I'm hungry and I'll [G] drink when I'm dry,
And if [A] moonshine don't kill me, I'll live 'til I [D] die.

Verse 2:

[D] I'll go to some hollow in [G] this counterie,
[A] Ten gallons of wash I can [D] go on a spree.
[D] No women to follow: the [G] world is all mine,
And I [A] love none so well as I love the moon- [D] shine.

Instrumental Chorus Break:

[D] I'm a rambler; I'm a gambler; I'm a [G] long way from home .
And [A] if you don't like me, well [D] leave me alone.
[D] I'll eat when I'm hungry and I'll [G] drink when I'm dry,
And if [A] moonshine don't kill me, I'll live 'til I [D] die.

Verse 3:

[D] Oh, Moonshine, dear Moonshine, oh [G] how I love thee.
Ya [A] kill me ol' father but [D] ar' ya try me.
[D] Oh bless all moonshiners and [G] bless all moonshine.
Oh its [A] breath smells as sweet as the dew on the [D] vine.

Chorus:

[D] I'm a rambler; I'm a gambler; I'm a [G] long way from home .
And [A] if you don't like me, well [D] leave me alone.
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Instrumental Outro: last 2 lines Chorus

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And if [A] moonshine don't kill me, I'll live 'til I [D] die.