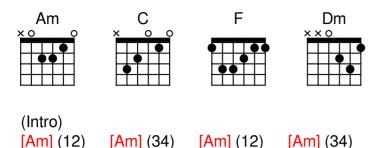
Ghost Riders in the Sky

Stan Jones - 1948



(Verse)

An [Am]old cowboy went ridin' out one [C]dark and windy day.
Up[Am]on a ridge he rested as he went along his way.
[Am] When all at once a mighty herd of red-eyed cows he saw,
[F]plow' through the ragged skies and [Dm]up a cloudy [Am]draw.

Their [Am]brands were still on fire and their [C]hooves were made of steel. Their [Am]horns were black and shiny and their hot breath he could feel. A bolt of fear went through him as they thundered through the sky, He [F]saw the riders comin' hard, and he [Dm]heard their mournful [Am]cry.

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(Instrumental Solo)

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(Verse 2)

Their [Am] faces gaunt, their eyes were blurred,

Their [C]shirts all soaked with sweat.

He's [Am]ridin' hard to catch that herd but he ain't caught 'em yet, [Am]'Cause they've got to ride forever on that range up in the sky.

On [F]horses snortin' fire, as they [Dm]ride on hear their [Am]cry.

As the [Am]riders loped on by him, he [C]heard one call his name.

"If you [Am]wanna save your soul from hell, a ridin' on our range,

Then cowboy change your ways today or with us you will ride,

[F]Tryin' to catch the devil's herd, a-[Dm] cross these endless [Am]skies."

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[F]Ghost riders in the [Am]sky.[Am] [Am] [Am] (Hold)