

Don't Explain

Lyrics by Arthur Herzog, Jr.

Music by Billie Holiday

Slowly

Adagio (♩ = 72)

A Dm Dm/C Gm⁶/B^b A⁷ Dm Dm/C E⁷/B B^{b7} A⁹

Hush now, Don't Ex - plain! Just say you'll re - main,

E^{b9} D⁹ #5 D⁷ #5 b9 D^{b9} C⁹ F^Δ B^{bΔ} Am⁷ B^bm⁶/D^b C⁷ b9 B^{b7} A⁷

I'm glad you're back, Don't Ex - plain!

A Dm Dm/C Gm⁶/B^b A⁷ Dm Dm/C E⁷/B B^{b7} A⁹

Qui - et, Don't Ex - plain! What is there to gain?

E^{b9} D⁹ #5 D⁷ #5 b9 D^{b9} C⁹ F Bm⁷ b5 E⁷ b9 A⁷ b9

Skip that lip - stick, Don't Ex - plain!

B Dm⁷ Gm⁷ C⁷ F^Δ B^{bΔ} Em⁷ b5 B^{b7} A⁷

You know that I love you and what love en dures. All my thoughts are of you for I'm so complete-ly yours.

Dm⁷ Gm⁷ C⁷ F^Δ B^{bΔ} Em⁷ b5 B^{b7} A⁷

Cry to hear folks chat-ter, and I know you cheat. Right or wrong don't mat-ter when you're with me, sweet.

A Dm Dm/C Gm⁶/B^b A⁷ Dm Dm/C E⁷/B B^{b7} A⁹

Hush now, Don't Ex - plain! You're my joy and pain.

E^{b9} D⁹ #5 D^{b9} C⁹ F B^{b6} F

My life's yours love, Don't Ex - plain!

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