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# Back on the Train

## Phish

**F9**

**V1** When I jumped off, I had a bucket full of thoughts  
Bb Ab  
When I first jumped off, I held that bucket in my hand  
F9  
Ideas that would take me all around the world  
Bb Ab  
I stood and watched the smoke behind the mountain curl  
Eb Bb Ab F9  
It took me a long time to get back on the train

**V2** Now I'm gone and I'll never look back again  
I'm gone and I'll never look back at all  
You know I'll never look back again  
I turn my face into the howlin' wind  
It took me a long time to get back on the train

**V3** See my face in the town that's flashing by  
See me standing at the station in the rain  
See me standing there beside the car  
I left it all behind, again I'll travel far  
It took me a long time to get back on the train

**V4** When I jumped off, I had a bucket full of thoughts  
When I first jumped off, I held that bucket in my hand  
Ideas that would take me all around the world  
I stood and watched the smoke behind the mountains curl  
It took me a long time to get back on the train  
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**Notes** Tab (<https://emilstabs.org/tabs/Back%20on%20the%20Train.txt>)  
8/29/2021 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cJAZLawDkJg>)

# Big River

## Grateful Dead

**A**  
Chorus Well I taught that weeping willow how to cry cry cry,  
**B E**  
Taught the clouds how to cover up a clear blue sky.  
**A D**  
Tears I cried for that woman are gonna flood you big river,  
**A E7 A**  
And I'm a gonna sit right here until I die.

V1 I met her accidentally in St. Paul, Minnesota,  
She tore me up every time I heard her drawl that southern drawl.  
Well I heard my dream went back downstream, cavortin' in Davenport,  
And I followed you big river when you called.

*Chorus*

V2 Well I followed her down to St. Lou, later on down the river,  
Trader said she's been here, but she's gone, boy, she's gone.  
Well I followed her down to Memphis, but she just walked off the bus,  
She raised a few eyebrows and she went on down alone.

*Chorus*

V3 Well I've gotten on down to Baton Rouge, River Queen roll on,  
Take that woman down to New Orleans, New Orleans.  
I give up, I've had enough, followed my blues on down to the gulf,  
She loves you big river more than me.

*Chorus*

**Notes** 12/31/78 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z1Ili1K9Nb4>)

## Blaze On

## Phish

**V1**

## Chorus

**Leo!**

## V2

## Chorus

## V3

**G**  
So you better get ready, cause a change is coming soon,  
**F** **C** **G** **C**  
I met a liar, called the messiah, I got the frying pan, I wanted fire,  
**F** **C** **G**  
I saw a red dress, I met a daughter, I got the quicksand, I prayed for water.

***Chorus***

**Jam** Bb -> C riff into jam in C.

**Outro** Bb -> C riff and "Blaze On" repeated.

**Notes** 7/29/17 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GFdgMrDrXbl>)

## China Cat Sunflower

## Grateful Dead

**V1**

G F  
Look for a while at the China Cat sunflower,  
G F  
Proud walking jingle in the midnight sun.  
G F  
Copperdome bodhi drip a silver kimono,  
G F G  
Like a crazy quilt stargown through a dream night wind.

**V2    Crazy cat peekin' through a lace bandanna,  
Like a one-eyed Cheshire, like a diamond-eye jack.  
A leaf of all colors plays a golden-string fiddle,  
To a double-E waterfall over my back.**

**V3     Comic book colors on a violin river  
Cryin' Leonardo, Words from out a silk trombone.  
I rang a silent bell, beneath a shower of pearls,  
In the eagle-winged palace of the Queen Chineese.**

**Notes** Vocals: Justin  
10/17/74 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EvPe4CEkSbE>)

## I Know You Rider

## Grateful Dead

**D C G D**  
**Chorus** I know you, rider, gonna miss me when I'm gone  
**D C G D**  
 I know you, rider, gonna miss me when I'm gone  
**F C F C Em D**  
 Gonna miss your baby, from rolling in your arms

**V1 (MV)** Laid down last night, Lord, I could not take my rest  
Laid down last night, Lord, I could not take my rest  
My mind was wandering like the wild geese in the West.  
*Chorus*

**Lead**      **Matt**

**V2 (PJ) The Sun will shine in my back door someday.  
The Sun will shine in my back door someday.  
March winds will blow all my troubles away.**

**V3 (JM)** I wish I was a headlight, on a North bound train  
I wish I was a headlight, on a North bound train  
I'd shine my light through cool Colorado rain.  
*Chorus*

**Lead** Justin

**Outro** Chorus: acapella  
Big Finish: F C F C Em D

**Notes** 10/17/74 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EvPe4CEkSbE>)

# Everything's Right

Phish

V1	<b>A</b>	<b>C</b>
	Time to get out, I paid my dues, I need to shout, there's no time to lose	
	<b>G</b>	<b>F</b>
	No more to give, the well is dry, the pavement's warm, my brain is fried	
	<b>E</b>	
	It's time to get out, I paid my dues	
V2	My shoes have holes, my socks are bare, the mirror's secret is I'm losing my hair	
	I'm in prison without a crime, the sentence stretches out undefined	
	It's time to get out, I paid my dues, I paid my dues	
Chorus	<b>A</b>	
	Everything's right, so just hold tight,	
	<b>G</b>	
	Everything's right, so just hold tight,	
	<b>D</b>	
	Everything's right, so just hold tight	
	: X2	
V2	<b>A</b>	<b>G</b>
	Going downhill with increasing speed, compassion gives way if you listen to greed	
	<b>D</b>	
	Focus on the past and that's what will last, Nothing that is real and nothing you can feel	
	Focus on tomorrow you'll have to borrow, images and mind and thoughts you left behind	
	Focus on today, you'll find a way, happiness is how rooting in the now	
	<i>Chorus</i>	
V3	Look into the eyes of everyone you meet, try not to step on your best friend's feet	
	The line is in the sand, the flag is planted, the rest of your life don't take it for granted	
	<i>Chorus</i>	
V4	This world, this world, this crazy world I know	
	It turns, it turns, and the long night's over and the sun's coming up	
Instrumental	Solo over changes.	
Bridge	(acapella) This world, this world (x2) (full band) Na, Na, Na, Na, Yeah... (x4)	
Jam	Solo over A	
Outro	Back to: Na, Na, Na... Yeah (It's gonna be all right)	
Notes	Vocals: Philip. Phish plays this in B. Easier to sing in A. 11/9/22 ( <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GK4oldKYkiY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GK4oldKYkiY</a> )	



# Funky Bitch

## Phish/Son Seals

**V1** Every time I see her, she got new fancy clothes

**Every time I see her, she got new fancy clothes**

## She took up all my money

**And threw poor me out the door**

**V2 Lord now standing there, ain't got nowhere to go**

**Lord now standing there, ain't got nowhere to go**

**I've been down in bad condition now boy**

**cause I'm alone down here**

**V3 Lord now standing there, ain't got nowhere to go**

**Lord now standing there, ain't got nowhere to go**

**I've been down in bad condition now boy**

**cause I'm alone down here**

**V4** Every time I see her, she's gotten all the boys in town

**Every time I see her, she's gotten all the boys in town**

**Till she took up all our money**

**Sure gonna put her down**

**Notes** Tabs (<https://emilstabs.org/tabs/Funky%20Bitch.txt>)  
12/29/11 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DK7JOs4v2T0>)

# Just One More California Honeydrops

V1

F  
See that full moon a rising

C7 F  
See those fireflies all aglow

The summer is young the night is callin'

C7  
But daylight come and I'll be gone

**F C7 F**  
**Chorus** So just one kiss from you girl  
**C7 F**  
 Just one more before I go  
 One more dance out on the dance floor  
**C7**  
 Just one more before I go

**V2**      **Hear that lonesome whistle blowin**  
**Hear those birds begin their songs**  
**Soon a new day will be dawnin'**  
**But I'll be on my way and gone**

**V3      Yeah, ohhh it feels so good now baby  
Rockin in your lovin arms  
I wish I could stay right here with you girl  
But daylight comes and I'll be gone**

**Notes** Official Video ([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x5SxZGbU\\_tU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x5SxZGbU_tU))  
3/27/2021 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=huUgl8d03O4>)

# Meet de Boys on the Battlefront

## Wild Tchoupitoulas

**F**

**Chorus Meet de boys on the Battlefront**

**C**

**Meet de boys on the Battlefront  
Meet de boys on the Battlefront**

**F**

**Yeah, the Wild Tchoupitoulas gonna stomp some rump!**

- V1** Oh the prettiest little thing that I ever seen  
Mardi gras Injuns down in New Orleans  
Sewed all night and they sewed all day;  
Mardi Gras mornin' went all the way
- V2** Injuns comin' from all over town  
Big Chief singin', gonna take 'em down  
A Jackimo feeno, hey-la-hey  
Injuns are rulers on the holiday
- V3** Mardi Gras morning won't be long  
Gonna play Injuns, gonna carry on  
Maskers runnin' up and down the avenue  
Here come the Injuns, let 'em through
- V4** I'm an Injun ruler from the thirteenth wad  
A big Chief Kahuna and I won't be bought  
I walked through fire and I swam through mud  
Snatched the features from an eagle, drank panther blood
- V5** Got an itty bitty spy, got a heart of steel  
If his shank won't get you, his hatchet will  
Gedde may hocko m'yoo na no  
He shoot the gun in the jailhouse door
- V6** I'll bring my gang all over town  
Drink firewater til the sun goes down  
We get back home, we're gonna kneel and pray  
We had some fun on the holiday

**Notes** Album (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n643nLCbMoE>)  
2/17/23 (Dumpstaphunk) (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kQU53AVjnc0>)

# Midnight Moonlight

# Peter Rowan

**Chorus** If you ever feel lonesome, And your down in San Antone  
 Beg steal or borrow two nickles or a dime and call me on the phone  
 And I'll meet you at Alamo mission where we can say our prayers  
 The Holy Ghost and the Virgin mother will heal us  
 As we kneel there

**Chorus** In the moonlight in the midnight  
In the moonlight midnight moonlight  
In the moonlight in the midnight  
In the moonlight midnight moonlight

## Chorus

V2

If you ever feel sorrow for things you have done

Am D

With no hope for tomorrow

C F

In the setting of the sun

G D

And the ocean is howling with things that might have been

Am D

That last good morning sunrise

Em D C

Will be the brightest you've ever seen

## Chorus

**Jam      Bb G**

**Notes** 3/1/80 JGB (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0dnibCQtdFE>)

# Only Home I've Ever Known

## California Honeydrops

**Intro** | \*C \*D - | C F | C C#dim Am | Am G7 | C

**V1**      C            F            C  
 Upon this third stone from the sun  
           F            C  
 The only home I know  
           G    E            Am  
 Where love abounds in skies and sounds  
           D7                    G7  
 And tastes too sweet to tell

**V2**      G7            E7        Am  
 The night sky's got me wonderin'  
           F                    E7  
 Of worlds I cannot see  
           F            F#dim C    E7 Am  
 And the whisper of the evenin' breeze  
           G7                    C  
 Elsewhere is callin' me

**V3**      G7            C  
 I hear, in a song,  
           G7            C  
 Loved ones gone on  
 E7    Am    Amaj7 Am7 D9  
 One's I hope I'll        see again  
 G            G7  
 Someday, oh

**V4**      C    F    C  
 Until my final days  
           E7                    Am F  
 In longing I will roam  
 C            F            C            Am  
 Upon this third stone from the sun  
           D7                    G7 C  
 The only home I've ever known

Instrumental

Repeat V3 and V4

**Notes** Video (original in Eb) ([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_dPvC8Ln8z8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_dPvC8Ln8z8))  
 Video (transposed to C) (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f7uqFD08P7c>)

# Possum

## Phish

E7

V1 I come from atop the mountain baby where the people come to pray

A7

E7

I come from atop the mountain baby where the people come to pray

B

G

A7

E7

There ain't no truth in action 'less you believe it anyway

V2 I was riding down the road one day and someone hit a possum

I was riding down the road one day and someone hit a possum

The road was his end, his end was the road, so they say

E7

Chorus Whoa possum, possum, possum... POSSUM.

A7

E7

Whoa possum, possum, possum... POSSUM.

B

G

A7

E

Whoa possum, your end is the road

Notes 12/04/09 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rz31jYsrLm4>)

## Phish