

Old Blue

Trad. Arr. and Adapt. Roger McGuinn Byrds

Key C, Capo 2 $tmL^*/dmM/caH$ 90bpm

OldBlue.4 arranged by donmc October 29, 2025

intro (repeat)

(*Csus2*) *C* *C G Am*

(*Amadd11*) *Am* *Am G C*

verse 1 (dm)

Well, I C_{a3} had an old dog and his name was Blue $C \quad C G C$

$$C \qquad G \qquad C \qquad C \quad C G C$$

Yes, I had an old dog and his name was Blue

$$C \qquad \qquad \qquad Am$$

Well, I had an old dog and his name was Blue

$$C \qquad \qquad \qquad G \qquad \qquad C$$

Betcha five dollars he's a good dog too

instrumental

(Csus2) C *C G Am* *(Amadd11) Am* *Am G C*

verse 2 (dm)

C
Old Blue chased a possum up a hollow limb

$$C \qquad \qquad \qquad G \qquad C$$

chased a possum up a hollow limb

C Am

Blue chased a possum up a hollow limb

$$C \quad \quad \quad G \quad C$$

The possum growled 'n Blue whined at him.

instrumental

(Csus2) C *C G Am* *(Amadd11) Am* *Am G C*

chorus (harmony)

C Am F G F C

Bye bye blue, -- you're a good dog you,

C Am Fmaj7 G F C

Bye bye blue, -- you good dog you,

instrumental

(Csus2) C C G Am (Amadd11) Am Am G C

verse 3 (dm)

C
When Old Blue died he died so hard
C G C
He shook the ground in my back yard
C Am
We lowered him down with a golden chain
C G C
And every link we called his name

instrumental

(Csus2) C C G Am (Amadd11) Am Am G C

chorus (harmony) Chorus

C C C G C
My old Blue he was a good old hound
C C C G C
You could hear him hollerin' miles around
C Am
When I get to Heaven first thing I'll do
C G C
Is grab my horn and call for Blue

instrumental

(Csus2) C C G Am (Amadd11) Am Am G C

chorus (harmony) Chorus

outro

(Csus2) C C G Am (Amadd11) Am Am G C

