

# I'm an Old Cowhand (From the Rio Grande), Jazz Chords

## Jazz Key

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Hollywood Cowboy Swing [Sons of the Pioneers 1936] ( $\text{♩} = 205$ )

### Intro

F<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup> B<sub>b</sub><sup>7</sup> E<sub>b</sub>MA<sup>7</sup> C<sup>7(#9)</sup> F<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup> B<sub>b</sub><sup>7</sup> E<sub>b</sub>MA<sup>7</sup> N.C.  
(Yippee-yi - o - ki - yay, yippee-yi - o - ki - yay.) I'm an old cow -

### Refrain

F<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup> B<sub>b</sub><sup>7</sup> E<sub>b</sub>MA<sup>7</sup> A<sub>b</sub><sup>7</sup> G<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup> C<sup>7(#9)</sup>  
hand from the Rio Grande. But my legs ain't bowed

F<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup> B<sub>b</sub><sup>7</sup> E<sub>b</sub>MA<sup>7</sup> D<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7(b5)</sup> G<sup>7(#5)</sup>  
and my cheeks ain't tanned. I'm a

C<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup> G<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup> C<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup> G<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup>  
cow - boy who nev - er saw a cow. Nev - er roped a steer, 'cause I don't know how. And I

A<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7(b5)</sup> D<sup>7</sup> G<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup> C<sup>7(b9)</sup>  
shore ain't fix in' to start in now.

F<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup> B<sub>b</sub><sup>7</sup> E<sub>b</sub>MA<sup>7</sup> C<sup>7(#9)</sup> F<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup> B<sub>b</sub><sup>7</sup> E<sub>b</sub>MA<sup>7</sup> N.C.  
To Coda Last Time  
Yippee - yi - o - ki - yay, yippee - yi - o - ki - yay. (I'm an old cow -)

### ∅ Coda

E<sub>b</sub>MA<sup>7</sup> F<sub>M</sub>I<sup>7</sup> B<sub>b</sub><sup>7</sup> E<sub>b</sub>MA<sup>7</sup> E<sub>b</sub>MA<sup>7</sup>  
-yay Yipp - ee - yi - o - ki - - yay.

2. I'm an old cowhand from the Rio Grande. And I learned to ride, 'fore I learned to stand. I'm a ridin' fool who is up to date. I know every trail in the Lone Star State. 'Cause I ride the range in a Ford V8. Yippee-yi-o-ki-yay, yippee-yi-o-ki-yay.
3. I'm an old cowhand from the Rio Grande. And i come to town just to hear the band. I know all the songs that the cowboys know 'bout the big corral where the dogies go 'cause i learned them all on the radio. Yippee-yi-o-ki-yay, yippee-yi-o-ki-yay.
4. I'm an old cowhand from the Rio Grande. Where the west is wild, 'round the border land. Where the buffalo roam around the zoon and the indians make you a rug or two. And the old Bar-X is a Bar-B-Q. Yippee-yi-o-ki-yay, yippee-yi-o-ki-yay. Yipp-e-e-yi-o-o-ki-i-yay.