

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

E♭ for Cowboy Key

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Hollywood Cowboy Swing [Sons of the Pioneers 1936] (♩ = 205)

Intro

Musical notation for the Intro, starting on a treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. Chords are indicated above the staff: BmI, E7, A, BmI, E7, A, and N.C. (No Chord).

(Yippee-yi - o - ki - yay, yippee-yi - o - ki - yay.) I'm an old cow -

Refrain

Musical notation for the Refrain, continuing on the same staff. Chords are indicated above the staff: BmI, BmI, E7, A, A, BmI, BmI, E7, A, A, A/C#, F#mI, C#mI, F#mI, C#mI, F#mI, C#mI, F#7.

hand_____ from the Ri - o Grande._____ But my legs ain't
 bowed and my cheeks ain't tanned. I'm a
 cow - boy who nev - er saw a cow. Nev - er roped a steer, 'cause I don't know how. And I
 shore ain't fix - in' to start in now.

To Coda Last Time

Musical notation for the 'To Coda Last Time' section, continuing the melody. Chords are indicated above the staff: BmI, E7, A, BmI, E7, A, and N.C.

Yippee - yi - o - ki - yay, yipp - ee - yi - o - ki - yay. (I'm an old cow -)

Coda

Musical notation for the Coda, continuing the melody. Chords are indicated above the staff: A, BmI, E7, A, and A.

-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.