

Hard Times

Stephen Foster (1826-1864)

The sheet music consists of eight staves of musical notation for a six-string guitar. Each staff includes a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature. Below each staff is a horizontal line representing the guitar's six strings. Tablature numbers are placed directly beneath the strings to indicate fingerings. Measure numbers are provided at the beginning of each staff.

1 - 7 - 8 +8 +8 -8 +8 +9 +9 +8

4 -8 +7 +7 -8 +7 +8 +10 -10 +9 +8 +7

7 -8 +7 +8 -8 +7 +7 +7 -8 +8 +8 -8

11 +8 +9 +9 +8 -8 +7 +7 -8 +7 +8 +10 -10

14 +9 +8 +7 -8 +7 +8 -8 +7 +7 +8 -9

18 +9 +9 +9 -9 +9 -10 +9 +10 -10 +9

23 +8 -8 +7 -8 +7 -8 +8 -8 +7 -8 +8 +8 -8

27 +8 +9 +9 +8 -8 +7 +7 -8 +7 +8 +10 -10

