

Approaching Lavender

(Gordon Lightfoot)

Time Signature: 4/4

Chords: C, Cmaj7, C7, F, G

Tempo: 130 - 150 BPM

[VERSE 1]

C Cmaj7 C7
If you'd like to spend the afternoon
F
approaching Lavender
Fm C
You'll feel just fine but one thing's sure
G
You'll never be the same
C Cmaj7
If you'd like to try your hand
C7 F
at understanding Lavender
Fm C
Then you must be very sure
G
That life is not a game
C Cmaj7 C7
You might even learn a thing or two
F
approaching Lavender
Fm C
You'll soon be on a one night tour
G
Forgetting your own name
C Cmaj7 C7
You won't need a reason just to be alone
F
with Lavender
Fm C
For the light so warm and pure
G
Will draw you like a flame

[BRIDGE]

[VERSE 2]

C Cmaj7
The colors that surround you there
C7 F
will be the shade of Lavender
Fm
Shadows dancing everywhere

C G
 Like flowers in the rain
 C Cmaj7
 You will find your tongue's on fire
 C7 F
 while lying next to Lavender
 Fm C
 With words you never spoke before
 G

And could not speak again
C Cmaj7
Oh sweet Lavender,
C7 F
I understand you perfectly
Fm C
There is no way that I can see
G

You living by yourself
C Cmaj7
Oh sweet Lavender,
C7 F
I must be with you constantly
Fm C
Your presence means so much to me
G
Much more than life itself

[BRIDGE]

[VERSE 3]

C Cmaj7
Oh sweet Lavender,
C7 F
as fragrant as the name you bear
Fm C
Please cast away the clothes you wear

G
 And give your love to me
C
Cmaj7
 Oh sweet Lavender,
C7
F
 your smile is like the golden sun
Fm
C
 I'd love to see you laugh and run

G

As naked as the sea

[BRIDGE]

[VERSE 4]

C Cmaj7 C7
If you'd like to spend the afternoon

F
approaching Lavender

Fm C
Don't try and get the best of her

G
She will not share the blame

C Cmaj7
If you'd like to try your hand at

C7 F
understanding Lavender

Fm C
Then you must be very sure

G
That life is not a game

C G
There is no shame

[OUTRO]