

The Complete Guitar Player James Taylor Songbook

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Sweet Baby James

Words & Music by James Taylor

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Book 1



Chord diagrams: G(no 3rd), Em7, Em7/A

Count: 1 2 & 3 &

Chord diagrams: D, A7, G, F#m

There is a young cow-boy, he lives on the range. — His

Chord diagrams: Bm, F#m, D, F#m, Bm, F#m, D, F#m

horse and his cat-tle are his on-ly com-pan-ions; — He works in the sad-dle and he sleeps in the can-yons

Chord diagrams: G, D, A7, Em7, A7, G, Em7/A

Wait-ing for sum-mer his pas-tures to change. — And as the moon ri-ses he sits by his

Chord diagrams: D, Bm, G, D, A7, G, Em7/A, D

fire — Think-ing 'bout wo-men and glass-es of beer And clos-ing his eyes as the dog-gies re-tire, He

Chord diagrams: Bm, G, D, Bm7, E7, Asus4, A7

sings out a song which is soft but it's clear As if may-be some-one could hear.

Chord diagrams: D, G, Em7/A, D, Bm, G, D, Bm, G

Good-night, you moon-light lad-ies, — Rock-a-bye, sweet Ba-by James. Deep greens and blues are the

Chord diagrams: D, Bm7, E7, Asus4, A7, G, A7, D

Verse 2
Now the first of December was covered in snow
And so was the turnpike from Stockbridge to Boston
The Berkshires seemed dreamlike on account of that frosting
With ten miles behind me and ten thousand more to go.
There's a song that they sing when they take to the highway

A song that they sing when they take to the sea.
A song that they sing of their home in the sky
Maybe you can believe it if it helps you to sleep
But singin' works just fine for me.