

Mammas Don't Let Your Babies Grow Up To Be Cowboys

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RePtDvh4Yq4> (orig in D and E)

strum 3/4 waltz time slow and easy

4 bars C intro

[C] Cowboys ain't easy to love and they're harder to **[F]** hold 2 3 4

[G] They'd rather give you a song than diamonds or **[C]** gold 2 3 4

[C] Lonestar belt buckles and old faded Levi's and **[F]** each night
begins a new day 1

If you **[G]** don't understand him and he don't die young no rest

He'll **[G7]** probably just ride a-**[C]**way 2 3 4

[C] Mammas don't let your babies grow up to be **[F]** cowboys 2 3 4

Don't **[G]** let 'em pick guitars and drive them old trucks no rest

Let 'em be doctors and lawyers and **[C]** such 1

[C] Mammas don't let your babies grow up to be **[F]** cowboys 2 3 4

They'll **[G]** never stay home and they're always alone no rest

[G7] Even with someone they **[C]** love 2 3 4

Key Change

[D] Cowboys like smokey ol' pool rooms and clear mountain **[G]**

Mornings 2 3 4

[A] Little warm puppies, and children, and girls of the **[D]** night 2 3 4

[D] Them that don't know him won't like him and them that do no rest

[G] sometimes won't know how to take him 1

He ain't **[A7]** wrong, he's just different but his pride won't let him no rest

Do the things to make you **[A]** think he's **[D]** right 2 3 4

[D] Mammas don't let your babies grow up to be **[G]** cowboys 2 3 4

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Let 'em be doctors and lawyers and **[D]** such 2 3 4

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Even with **[A]** someone they **[D]** love 2 3 4

Fading

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They'll **[A7]** never stay home and they're always alone no rest

Even with **[A]** someone they **[D]** love (DUD)