Fast Car Tracy Chapman (1988)

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Easier key to sing and play.

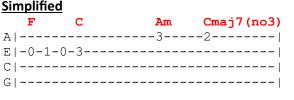
Amended from https://ukulelecheats.com/tracy-chapman-fast-car-ukulele-chords/:

<u>Riff Bar</u> the C string <u>stays open</u> as a 'drone' HENCE Cmaj7(No3rd str)* which is G with no 1st finger

F			Cmaj7(no3)
E -0-1	-0-3	3	
			0

UKES sequenceFCAmCmaj7(no3)BASS sequenceF↑CAG

INTRO = Riff bar x 2



marks the start of the sequence each time
 BASS in BLACK below where different

V1*[F] You got a fast [C] car
[Am] I want a ticket to [Cmaj7*]G] anywhere
*[F] Maybe we make [C] a deal
[Am]Maybe together we can [Cmaj7*]G] get somewhere
*[F] Any place [C] is better
[Am] Starting from zero [Cmaj7*]G] got nothing to lose
*[F] Maybe we'll [C] make something
[Am] Me, myself, I [Cmaj7*]G] got nothing to prove

<u>Riff bar x 2</u>

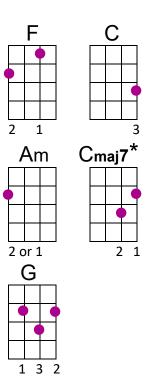
V2*[F] You got a fast [C]car [Am] I got a plan to [Cmaj7*]G] get us outta here I been *[F] working at the con - [C] ven - ience store [Am] Managed to save [Cmaj7*]G] just a little bit of money *[F] Won't have to drive [C] too far Just [Am] 'cross the border [Cmaj7*]G] and into the city *[F] You and I can [C] both get jobs And [Am] finally see [Cmaj7*]G] what it means to be living

Riff bar x 2 to Pre Chorus,

[See,* my old man's got a problem He lives with the bottle, that's the way it is He says his *body's too old for working His body's too young to look like his *My mama went off and left him She wanted more from life than he could give *I said somebody's got to take care of him So I quit school, that's what I did]

Pre Chorus

* [F] You got a fast [C] car
Is it [Am] fast enough so [Cmaj7*]G] we can fly away?
*[F] We gotta make a [C] decision
[Am] Leave tonight or [Cmaj7*]G] live and die this way



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End Point			<u>End Point</u>			<u>Fast Car page 2</u>		
<u>Riff</u>	★			<u>Simplifie</u>	<u>ed</u> ↓			
F	С	Am	Cmaj7(no3)	F	С	Am	Cmaj7(no3)	
A		33	8-22	A		3	2	
E -0-1	L-0-33			E -0-1-	-0-3			
C -0	00-	0	0	C				
G -2	0	2	0	G				

LINK to chorus = riff bar x2 (End of riff overlaps with Chorus)

1 2 3 4 CHORUS All strum d du ud BASS in BLACK

I remember when we were **[F]F]** driving, driving in your car **[C]C]** Speed so fast it felt like I was drunk **[Am]A]** City lights lay out before us Your **[G]G]** arm felt nice wrapped 'round my shoulder And **[F]F] I**, **[Am]A] I** had a **[G]G]** feeling that I belonged **[F]F] I**, **[Am]A] I** had a **[G]G]** feeling I could be someone, **[F]F]** be someone, **[G]G]** be someone

Riff x2 to V3

V3*[F] You got a fast [C] car [Am] We go cruising, [Cmaj7*]G] entertain ourselves *[F] You still ain't [C] got a job And I [Am] work in the market [Cmaj7*]G] as a checkout girl *[F] I know things will [C] get better [Am] You'll find work [Cmaj7*]G] and I'll get promoted *[F] We'll move out [C] of the shelter [Am] Buy a bigger house [Cmaj7*]G] and live in the suburbs

Riff x2 to CHORUS then Riff x2 to V4

V4*[F] You got a fast [C] car
[Am] I got a job that [Cmaj7*]G] pays all our bills
You * [F] stay out drinking [C] late at the bar
See [Am] more of your friends [Cmaj7*]G] than you do of your kids
*[F] I'd always hoped [C] for better
Thought [Am] maybe together [Cmaj7*]G] you and me'd find it
I *[F] got no plans, I [C] ain't going nowhere
[Am] Take your fast car [Cmaj7*]G] and keep on driving

Riff x2 to CHORUS THEN Riff x 2 to Pre Outro

Pre Outro

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Is it[Am] fast enough so [Cmaj7*]G] you can fly away?
*[F] You gotta make a [C] decision
[Am] Leave tonight or [Cmaj7*]G] live and die this way

OUTRO = Riff x 3¹/₂ see End Point in riff above