

# Taxi

Harry Chapin

Heads and Tales (1972)

No Capo

D-Am7

It was raining hard in Frisco. I needed one more fair to make my night

A lady up ahead waved to flag me down and she got in at the light

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Where are you going my lady blue? Its a shame you ruined you gown in the rain,

She just looked out the window, she said 16 Parkside Lane

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Something about her was familiar. I could swear I seen that face before

But she said I'm sure your mistaken, and she didn't say anything more

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It took a while but she looked in the mirror and she glanced at the license for my name

A smile seemed to come to her slowly. It was a sad smile just the same

And she said, "how are you Harry?". I said, "How are you Sue?"  
Through the too many miles and two little smiles I still remember you

D-Am7

It was somewhere in a fairy tale, I used to drive her home in my car

We learned about love in the back of a Dodge, the lessons hadn't gone to far

You see she was gonna be an actress and I was gonna learn to fly

She took off to find the footlights. I took off to find the sky

I've got something inside me to drive a princess blind,  
There's a wild man wizard he's hiding in me, illuminating my mind  
I've got something inside me not what my life's about  
Cause I've been letting my outside tide me over till my time runs out

Baby's so high that she's skying Yeah she's flying, but afraid to fall  
And I'll tell you why Baby's crying 'Cause she's dying, aren't we all?

D-Am7

There was not much more for us to talk about. Whatever we had once was gone

So I turned my cab into the driveway past the gate and the fine trimmed lawn

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And she said we must get together, but I knew It'd never be arranged

So she hand me twenty dollar for a two fifty fare and said, "Harry, Keep the change"

D-Am7

Well another man might have been angry, and another man might have been hurt

but another man never would have let her go, I stashed the bill in my shirt

And she walked away in silence. Its strange how you never know

But we'd both gotten what we'd asked for such a long, long, time ago

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You see she was gonna be an actress and I was gonna learn to fly

She took off to find the footlights. I took off to for the sky

And here she's acting happy inside her handsome home,

and me I fly in my taxi, taking tips and gettin' stoned

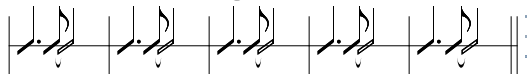
I go flying so high when I'm stoned

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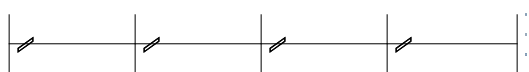
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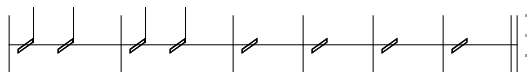
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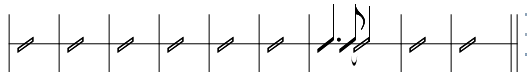
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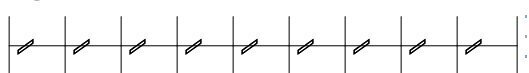
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