

Leonard Cohen – Bird on the Wire

Capot 1 2 or 3.

Verse (6/8)

A guitar chord diagram for the Verse (6/8) section. The diagram shows a six-string guitar with a capo on the first fret. The strings are labeled E, B, G, D, A, E from top to bottom. The fret numbers for each string are: E (1), B (1), G (1), D (1), A (1), and E (1). The notes are: A, E, A, D, A, E, A, A.

Chorus (12/8)

A guitar chord diagram for the Chorus (12/8) section. The diagram shows a six-string guitar with a capo on the first fret. The strings are labeled E, B, G, D, A, E from top to bottom. The fret numbers for each string are: E (1), B (1), G (1), D (1), A (1), and E (1). The notes are: D, A, B-, A, D, A, B-, E.

Verse 1

Like a bird on the wire
Like a drunk in a midnight choir
I have tried in my way to be free.
Like a worm on a hook
Like a knight in some old-fashioned book
I have saved all my ribbons for thee.

Chorus

If, If I have been unkind
I hope that you can just let it go by
If I, If I have been untrue
I hope you know it was never to you.

Verse 2

Like a baby stillborn
Like a beast with his horn
I have torn everyone who reached out for me
But I swear by this song
And by all that I have done wrong
I will make it all up to three.

Chorus 2

I saw a beggar leaning on his wooden crutch
He said to me "You must not ask for so much"
And a pretty woman leaning in her darkened door
She cried to me "Hey, why not ask for more?"

Outro

Like a bird on a wire
Like a drunk in a midnight choir
I have tried in my way to be **(D)** free **(A)**.