

Year of the Cat



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Intro: (3X) [Cmaj7 / Bm7] [Em / D]

[Verse One]

On a [Cmaj7] morning from a [Bm] Bogart [Em] movie [D]
In a [Cmaj7] country where they [Bm] turned back [Em] time...[D]
You go [Cmaj7] strolling through the [Bm] crowd like [Em] Peter Lorre
Contem [Am7] plating a crime...[D7]
She comes [Cmaj7] out of the [Bm] sun in a silk [Em] dress running
like a [B7] water color in the [C] rain,
[B7] Don't bother asking for [Em] explanations,
She'll just [Am7] tell you that she came [D] in the Year of the Cat....

INSTRUMENTAL: Repeat Chord Intro: (3X) [CMaj7 / Bm7] [Em / D]

[Verse Two]

She [Cmaj7] doesn't give you [Bm] time for [Em] questions,
As she [Cmaj7] locks your arm [Bm] up in hers [Em],
and you [Cmaj7] follow till your [Bm] sense of [Em] which direction,
[Am7] completely disappears... [D7]
By the [Cmaj7] blue-tiled walls near the [Bm] market stalls,
there's a [B7] hidden door she leads you [C] to ...
These [B7] days' she says, "I [Em] feel my life 's just like a
[Am7] river running through
[D]... [D7] in the year of the Cat

INSTRUMENTAL: Repeat Chord Intro: (3X) [CMaj7 / Bm7] [Em / D]

[Bridge]

Well, she [B7] looks at you so [C] coolly,
and her [G] eyes shine like the [D] moon in the sea,
She comes in [B7] incense and [C] patchouli, so you
[G] take her to [F] find what's [C][G] waiting inside....
[D] In the year of the Cat...

INSTRUMENTAL: Repeat Chord Intro: (3X) [Cmaj7 / D] [Em / D]

[Verse Three]

Well [Cmaj7] morning comes and [Bm] your still with [Em] her [D]
and the [Cmaj7] bus and the [D] tourists are [Em] gone, [D]
And you've [Cmaj7] thrown away your [Bm] choice and [Em] lost your ticket,
So, you will [Am7] have to stay on.. [D7]
But the [Cmaj7] drumbeat [Bm] strains of the [Em] night remains
in the [B7] rhythm of the newborn [C] day..
You know some [B7] time you're [Em] bound to leave her but for
[Am7] now your gonna stay...[D] In the year of the Cat...
In the year of the cat...

INSTRUMENTAL: Repeat Chord Intro: (3X) [CMaj7 / D] [Em / D] and fade

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