

Sweet Baby James (by James Taylor)

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Intro: [Bb] [Gm7] [C7sus4] [C7sus4]

There [F] is a young cow[C]-boy he [Bb] lives on the [Am] range [Am]
 His [Dm] horse and his [Bb] cattle are his [F] only com[Am]-panions [Am]
 He [Dm] works in the [Bb] saddle and he [F] sleeps in the [Am] canyons
 [Bb] Waiting for [F] summer, his [C] pastures to [Gm] change [Gm] [C] [C]
 And [Bb] as the moon [C] rises he [F] sits by his [F] fire
 [Dm] Thinkin' about [Bb] women and [F] glasses of [C] beer
 [Bb] Closing his eyes as the [C] doggies re[F]-tire
 He [Dm] sings out a [Bb] song which is [F] soft but it's [F] clear
 As [Dm] if maybe [G] someone could [C] hear [C] [C] [C]

[F] Goodnight you [Bb] moonlight [C] la[Bb]-dies
 [Dm] Rock-a-bye [Bb] sweet baby [F] James [F]
 [Dm] Deep greens and [Bb] blues are the [F] colours I [F] choose
 Won't you [Dm] let me go [G] down in my [C] dreams [C]
 And [Bb] rock-a-bye [C] sweet baby [F] James [F]

Now the [F] first of De[C]-cember was [Bb] covered with [Am] snow [Am]
 And [Dm] so was the [Bb] turnpike from [F] Stockridge to [Am] Boston [Am]
 Lord the [Dm] Berkshires seemed [Bb] dreamlike on ac[F]-count of that [Am] frosting
 With [Bb] ten miles be[F]-hind me and [C] ten thousand [Gm] more to go [Gm] [C] [C]
 There's a [Bb] song that they [C] sing when they [F] take to the [F] highway
 A [Dm] song that they [Bb] sing when they [F] take to the [C] sea
 A [Bb] song that they [C] sing of their [F] home in the [F] sky
 Maybe [Dm] you can be[Bb]-lieve it if it [F] helps you to [F] sleep
 But [Dm] singing works [G] just fine for [C] me [C] [C] [C]

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