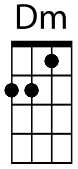
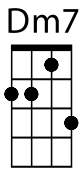
Hold Back the River - James Bay

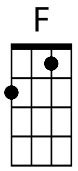


Intro [Dm7]Ooh [F]oho [Bb]oho [F]oho,[Bb]Oho, [F]oho, [C]ohooh [Csus4] [C]

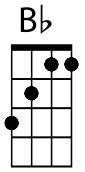
(Quietly) [Dm7] Tried to [F] keep you [Bb] close to [F]me,
But [Bb] life got [F] in bet[C]ween [Csus4] [C]
[Dm7]Tried to [F] square not [Bb] being [F] there
But [Bb] think I [F] should have [C] been [Csus4] [C]



(Quietly) [Bb]Hold back the river, let me look in your eyes
[Bb]Hold back the river so I Can [F] stop for a minute and see where you hide
[F] Hold back the river, hold back



(Louder) [Dm7]Once [F]upon a [Bb] different [F] life
We [Bb]rode our [F]bikes to the [C]sky [Csus4] [C]
But [Dm7] now we [F]crawl [Bb]against the [F]tide
Those [Bb]distant [F]days flashing [C]by [Csus4] [C]



CHORUS
(Quietly)[Bb]Hold back the river, let me look in your eyes
[Bb] Hold back the river so I Can [F] stop for a minute and be by your side
[F] Hold back the river, [C]ooh *(Louder)*
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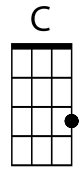

Instrumental verse x2:
[Dm7]Ooh [F]oho, [Bb]oho, [F]oho,[Bb]Oho, [F]oho, [C]ohooh [Csus4] [C]

(Quietly)
[F]Lonely water… [F] lonely water won't you [Bb]let us wander
[Gm] Let us hold each other
(Louder) [F]Lonely water… [F] lonely water won't you [Bb]let us wander
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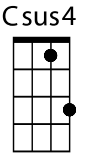
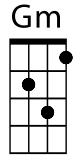


Repeat Chorus



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[Dm7]Ooh [F]oho [Bb]oho [F]oho [Bb]Oho [F]oho [C]ohooh [Csus4] [C]
(Quietly and slowing down)
[Dm7]Ooh [F]oho [Bb]oho [F]oho [Bb]Oho [F]oho [C]ohooh [Csus4] [C]