

Intro: [A7] [Dm]

[Dm] Once upon a time there was a [Dm] tavern
 [D7] Where we used to raise a glass or [Gm] two
 [Gm] Remember how we laughed away the [Dm] hours
 And [E7] dreamed of all the great things we would [A7] do

Chorus:

Those were the [Dm] days my friend we thought they'd [Gm] never end
 We'd sing and [C] dance for-[C7]ever and a [F] day
 We'd live the [Gm] life we choose, we'd fight and [Dm] never lose
 For we were [A7] young and sure to have our [Dm] way [Dm]
 Laaa la la [Dm] Laaa la la, la la la [Gm] laaa la la
 Those were the [A7] days, oh yes those were the [Dm] days [Dm]

[Dm] Then the busy years went rushing [Dm] by us
 We [D7] lost our starry notions on the [Gm] way
 [Gm] If by chance I'd see you in the [Dm] tavern
 We'd [E7] smile at one another and we'd [A7] say

Chorus

[Dm] Just tonight I stood before the [Dm] tavern
 [D7] Nothing seemed the way it used to [Gm] be
 [Gm] In the glass I saw a strange re-[Dm]flection
 [E7] Was that lonely woman really [A7] me

Chorus

[Dm] Through the door there came familiar [Dm] laughter
 I [D7] Saw your face and heard you call my [Gm] name
 [Gm] Oh my friend we're older but no [Dm] wiser
 For [E7] in our hearts the dreams are still the [A7] same

Chorus