

Last Rose of Summer

G C G Em D7 G
'Tis the last rose of summer, left blooming all alone.

C G Em D7 G
All her lovely companions are faded and gone.

Em G Em C
No flower of her kindred, no rose bud is nigh
G C G Em D7 G
To reflect back her blushes and give sigh for sigh.

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I'll not leave thee, thou lone one to pine on the stem  
Since the lovely are sleeping, go sleep thou with them.  
Thus kindly I scatter thy leaves o'er the bed  
Where thy mates of the garden lie scentless and dead.

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So soon may I follow, when friendships decay
And from love's shining circle the gems drop away.
When true hearts lie withered and fond ones are flown
Oh who would inhabit this bleak world alone!

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The lyrics to The Last Rose of Summer is about the sadness of life once a person's friends and loved ones have passed on. The song was originally written as a poem by Thomas Moore and was later set to an old Irish folk tune.

The chords are presented here in G Major, the same key used by Clannad in their version of The Last Rose of Summer. The Fureys play the song in the key A Major.

Place a capo on the second fret and play the chord shapes shown below to play The Last Rose of Summer in A Major.

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