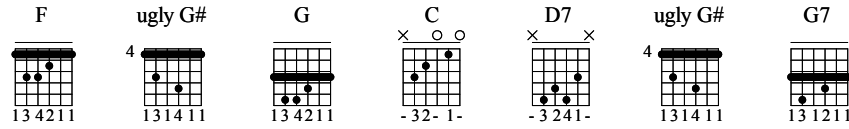


# Jessie the Cow

Words & Music by Tony Lovell



Play in a bluegrass sort of style with plenty of boppy bounce

Moderate ♩ = 130

1

Vocal

4/4

3

3 3 3 3 3

0

3

The farm - er's in the dell, the

Chords

1

1

2

3

3

1

Bass

1

3

3

Vocal

2 2 2 2 2

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3

farm - er's in the dell, yo ho ho and a bot - tle of

F ugly G# ugly G# G

Chords

3

1 4 4 3

1 4 4 3

2 7 2 4

3 4 4 5

3 6 4 5

1 4 4 3

Bass

3

3 1 2 1 0

4

The song has 4 verses with 2 optional verses.  
The lyrics to verse 1 are printed in the tab and the others are squeezed into the footers of the pages.

## Verse 1.5 (optional ... I generally only sing verses 1 2 3 and 4)

She gathered a band to take 'em out on a cruise. Took a dozen old dairy cows with nothing to lose.  
She polished her plans with a liter of booze and set sail on her voyage with her cud-thirsty crew.  
*[spoken ad-lib here ... you're on your own!]*

## Verse 2

Her favorite vessel was a brigantine sloop with a cow-sized crows nest and a cannon to shoot  
at the pigs and the ponies and the hens in the coop... all them little things that piss off cows.  
*Jessie didn't exactly fit the cow mold. (No, I don't think so. She was kinda different than that, I thought.)  
She'd been branded a brigand sort. (Quite a whiles ago, I thought.) ... bit of a Peril of the Plain.*

**Vocal**

6

**Chords**

6

milk!

C

**Bass**

6

**Vocal**

8

**Chords**

8

C

C

Out in Neb-rask - a in the

**Bass**

8

**Vocal**

11

**Chords**

11

C

D7

D7

O - cean of Grain, There's a pir - ate mar - aud-er out a - rovin' the range, her

**Bass**

11

14

Vocal

Chords

plun - der - ing herd poised to sco - ur the plain, steal - ing bal - ers and trac - tors and - a

14 G G C

Bass

17

Vocal

Chords

Jess - ie's her name. Well, old Jessie was a cow.

ugly G# ugly G# C C F  
let ring -----

Chords

Bass

20

Vocal

Chords

(woo hoo! down the plank you go!) But not your normal kind of cow...

C C F  
let ring -----

Chords

Bass

**Verse 2.5 (optional)**

She made old McDonald take a walk on the plank then she sailed down Main Street and she emptied our bank.  
 She stole so much money that her ship nearly sank. We just couldn't please her; man, that cow was a crank!  
 [spoken ad-lib here ... you're on your own!]

23

Vocal

.... more kind of a bovine Bluebeard of some sort.

letting

Chords

23

C

C

Bass

23

26

Vocal

(Listen up, children!)

Chords

26

ugly G#

G7

4x

C

Bass

26

29

Vocal

**Verse 3**

The cops and the farmers put a price on her head,  
 said they'd take her alive but they wanted her dead.  
 I couldn't believe it, no -- but that's what they said,  
 that they'd take her alive but they wanted her dead.  
*Jessie was a mite put off by this news. (oooohhh!)*  
*She knew she was in the deep cow plop. (She was in quite a bit of trouble, I thought.)*  
*She wasn't overly eager to BUY the farm. (... one last time!)*

Chords

29

C

**Verse 4**

But Jessie was clever and she certainly learned  
 if a cow stayed a pirate she was gonna get burned  
 so she went back to milking and she never returned  
 to her ways as a pirate or the fame that she'd earned.  
*(That poor Jessie!) Now there's a lesson in all this for ya... (What's that?!)*  
*Just do what ya do best, even if it means being a member of the dairy community.*  
*(Does that includes makin' cheese?) Real cheese.... not Velveeta.*

Bass

29

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