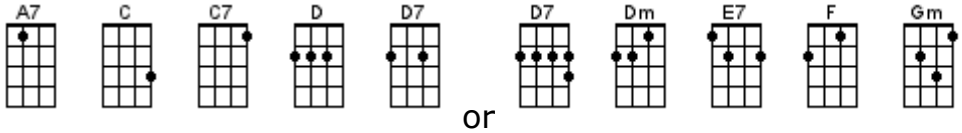
Those Were The Days v1

Original Russian song Fomin and Podrevsky.
English version Gene Raskin 1960's (as recorded by Mary Hopkins 1968)



[Dm]↓ Once upon a time there was a **[Dm]**↓ tavern
[Dm]↓ Where we used to raise a glass or **[Gm]**↓ two
Re-**[Gm]**↓member how we laughed away the **[Dm]**↓ hours
And **[E7]**↓ think of all the great things we would **[A7]**↓ do

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[Gm] We'd sing and **[C]** dance, for-**[C7]**ever and a **[F]** day **[F]**
We'd live the **[Gm]** life we'd choose, **[Gm]** we'd fight and **[Dm]** never lose
[Dm] For we were **[A7]** young, and **[A7]** sure to have our **[Dm]** way **[Dm]**↓
La la la **[Dm]** di, di-di, **[Dm]** di-di-di **[Gm]** di, di-di
[Gm] Di di di **[A7]** di, di **[A7]** di-di di-di **[Dm]** di **[Dm]**↓

[Dm]↓ Then the busy years went rushing **[Dm]**↓ by us
We **[Dm]**↓ 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 then we'd **[A7]**↓ say

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[Gm] Di di di **[A7]** di, di **[A7]** di-di di-di **[Dm]** di **[Dm]**↓

[Dm]↓ Just tonight I stood before the **[Dm]**↓ tavern
[Dm]↓ 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?

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[Dm]↓ Through the door there came familiar **[Dm]**↓ laughter
I **[Dm]**↓ 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

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[Gm] Di di di **[A7]** di, di **[A7]** di-di di-di **[Dm]** di **[Dm]**↓