

# MOON RIVER

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Johnny Mercer/Henry Mancini 1960

C A- F C F C B-7 E7

Moon riv - er, wid - er than a mile, I'm cross - ing you in style some - day. Old  
Two drif - ters, off to see the world, there's such a lot of world to see. We're

1. A- C7 F Bb9 A- B7 E- A7 D-7 G9 2. A-

dream mak - er, you heart break - er, where - ev - er you're go - ing I'm go - ing your way. af - ter the

F7 C F C F C A- D-7 G7 C

same rain - bows end, waitin' 'round the bend, my huckle - ber - ry friend, moon river and me.

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Words by Johnny Mercer

Music by Henry Mancini

Slowly

The musical score for "Moon River" is presented in a standard format with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The tempo is marked "Slowly". The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The score is divided into three systems. The first system shows the vocal line starting with a whole rest, followed by the lyrics "Moon Riv - er,". The piano accompaniment begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic and features a flowing eighth-note melody. The second system continues the vocal line with the lyrics "wid - er than a mile: I'm cross - in' you in". The piano accompaniment continues with a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic. The third system shows the vocal line with the lyrics "style some day. Old dream -". The piano accompaniment concludes with a piano (*p*) dynamic. Chord diagrams are provided above the vocal line for the following chords: C major, A minor, F major, C major, Bm7-5, E7, and A minor.

Chord diagrams shown above the staff:

- C
- Am
- F
- C
- F
- C
- Bm7-5
- E7
- Am

Lyrics:

Moon Riv - er,  
wid - er than a mile: I'm cross - in' you in  
style some day. Old dream -

mak - er, you heart - break - er, wher - ev - er you're

go - in', I'm go - in' your way!

*mf* *dim. poco a poco*

Two drift - ers, off to see the world, There!

*p* *mp*

such a lot of world to see, We're

af - ter the same rain - bow's end

This system contains the first line of the song. The vocal melody is on a treble clef staff, with lyrics 'af - ter the same rain - bow's end'. The piano accompaniment is on a bass clef staff, starting with a piano (p) dynamic and ending with a mezzo-forte (mp) dynamic. A guitar part is shown on a separate staff with a C major chord.

wait - in' 'round the bend, my Hack - le - ber - ry

This system contains the second line of the song. The vocal melody continues with the lyrics 'wait - in' 'round the bend, my Hack - le - ber - ry'. The piano accompaniment features a mezzo-forte (mp) dynamic. A guitar part is shown with a C major chord.

friend Moon Riv - er and

This system contains the third line of the song. The vocal melody includes the lyrics 'friend Moon Riv - er and'. The piano accompaniment features a forte (f) dynamic. A guitar part is shown with chords for C major, A minor (Am), D major (D), and G major (G).

me. me.

This system contains the fourth line of the song, which includes a first ending (1.) and a second ending (2.). The vocal melody for both endings is 'me.'. The piano accompaniment features a mezzo-forte (mp) dynamic and a 'rall.' (rallentando) marking. A guitar part is shown with chords for C major, E minor (Em), D major (D), and C major (C).