



JoniMitchell.com Transcription for Guitar

A Bird That Whistles

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BF#BF#BD#, 'Joni' Tuning: B75754, Capo: 3

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Note: In the recording, Joni seems to play mostly the top four strings and the bass notes are played by the bass player. You can fill in the bass notes by making complete bar chords of 000000, 555555, 777777. This transcription shows only the notes that Joni plays in the original.

All fret positions are in relation to the capo.

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Intro:

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F#-----5---3-----1---0-----
D-----5---4-----2---0-----
A-----5---4---0---2---0-----
D---0--0-----0-----
A-----
D-----

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F#-----5---3-----1---0-----
D-----5---4-----2---0-----
A---0-----5---4---0---2---0-----
D-----0-----0-----
A-----
D-----

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F#-----5---3-----1---0-----8--8--8--7---
D-----5---4-----2---0-- slide to --7--7--7--7---
A---0-----5---4---0---2---0-- ==> --7-----
D-----0-----0-----7-----
A-----
D-----

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I took a

1st verse:

||||||| ||||||| ||||||| |||||||
xx0000 xx0555 xx0443 000000
||||||| ||||||| ||||||| |||||||
house by the water

||||||| ||||||| |||||||
xx5555 xx5556 xx5555
||||||| ||||||| |||||||
Took a man on a mountainside

F#-----5---3-----1---0---0---1--0---
D-----5---4-----2---0---0---0--0---
A-----5---4---0---2---0---0---2--0---
D---0--0-----0-----
A-----
D-----

Pretty

||||||| ||||||| |||||||
xx5555 xx5556 xx5555
||||||| ||||||| |||||||
house by the water

|||||||
xx7777
|||||||
Lovely lover by the waterside

F#-----5---3-----1---0---0---1--0---
D-----5---4-----2---0---0---0--0---
A-----5---4---0---2---0---0---2--0---
D---0--0-----0-----
A-----
D-----

|||||||
xx7777
|||||||
Last time I saw that man he

||||||| ||||||| |||||||
xx5555 xx5556 xx5555
||||||| ||||||| |||||||
hung down his head and cried

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F#-----5---3-----1---0-----7--7-----
D-----5---4-----2---0-- slide to --7--7-----
A-----5---4---0---2---0--- =====> --7-----
D---0--0-----0-----7-----
A-----
D-----

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2nd verse:

Corinna, Corrina
Do you have to go
Corinna, Corinna
Tell me why do you have to go

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xx7777 xx7778 xx7777
|||||| | ||||| | |||||
Just made me come to love you girl

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Now you pack your things and go

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F#-----5---3-----1---0-----8--8--7-----
D-----5---4-----2---0-- slide to --7--7--7-----
A-----5---4---0---2---0--- =====> --7-----
D---0--0-----0-----7-----
A-----
D-----

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3rd verse:

Leave me this bird that whistles
Leave me this bird that sings
I got a bird that whistles
I got a bird that sings
If I don't have you girl
Birds don't mean a thing

Outtro:

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|||||| | ||||| | ||||| | |||||
xx0000 xx5555 xx5556 xx5555
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F#-----5---3-----1---0---0---1--0---
D-----5---4-----2---0---0---0---0---
A-----5---4---0---2---0---0---2--0---
D---0--0-----0-----
A-----
D-----

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||||||| ||||||| |||||||
xx5555 xx5556 xx5555
||||||| ||||||| |||||||

|||||||
xx7777
|||||||

F#-----5---3-----1---0---0---1--0---
D-----5---4-----2---0---0---0--0---
A-----5---4---0---2---0---0---2--0---
D---0--0-----0-----
A-----
D-----

||||||| ||||||| |||||||
xx7777 xx7778 xx7777
||||||| ||||||| |||||||

||||||| ||||||| |||||||
xx5555 xx5556 xx5555
||||||| ||||||| |||||||

F#-----5---3-----1---0---
D-----5---4-----2---0---
A-----5---4---0---2---0---
D---0--0-----0-----
A-----
D-----