

# Mary Jane's Last Dance

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Key: G

Chords Needed: Am, G, D, Em (or Em7), A7

Tempo: 90

Strum Pattern: Emphasize the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> beat with the other strums being significantly softer. Scratchy rhythm is a great style of this song.

1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &  
D D **D** DUD D **D** DU

Chorus Strum:

1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &  
D D D DU U UDUDU

Optional Rising A7s - Change shape every two beats

A|0---4---7---10--|  
E|0---3---5---9---|  
C|1---4---7---9---|  
G|0-----9---|

VERSE

**Am** **G**  
She grew up in an Indiana town  
**D** **Am**  
Had a good lookin' Mama who never was around  
**Am** **G**  
But she grew up tall and she grew up right  
**D** **Am**  
With them Indiana boys on an Indiana night

Break - Intro Chord Progression x2

VERSE

**Am** **G**  
Well, she moved down here at the age of 18  
**D** **Am**  
She blew the boys away - It was more than they'd seen  
**Am** **G**  
I was introduced and we both started groovin'  
**D** **Am**  
She said I dig you baby - But I gotta keep movin' ...

BREAK - Intro Chord Progression x2

CHORUS

Em

Last dance with Mary Jane

Em

A7\* Optional Rising A7s

One more time to feel the pai-ai-ain

Em

I feel summer creepin' in and I'm

Em

A7 G

Tired of this town agai-ai-ain (pause for one measure)

BREAK - Intro Chord Progression x2

VERSE

Am

G

Well I don't know - but I've been told

D

Am

You never slow down - you never grow old

Am

G

I'm tired of screwing up - tired of going down

D

Am

Tired of myself - tired of this town

Am

G

Oh my my - Oh hell yes

D

Am

Honey put on that party dress

Am

G

Buy me a drink and play me a song

D

Am

Take me as I come - cause I can't stay long

CHORUS

SOLO - Intro Chord Progression x4

VERSE

Am

G

There's pigeons down on Market Square

D

Am

She's standing in her underwear

Am

G

Looking down from a hotel room

D

Am

The nightfall will be coming soon

Am

G

Oh my my - Oh hell yes

D

Am

You got to put on that party dress

Am

Am7

G

It was too cold to cry when I woke up alone

D

Am

I hit my last number and walked to the road

CHORUS

OUTRO Intro Chord Progression x2