

"Merry Christmas, Alabama [Never Far From Home]" in the key of F

[Words and music by Jimmy Buffett and Matt Betton, circa zzzz] [GCEA chord forms]

Hear Jimmy Buffett sing it in E on YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iIZXyOmO1wA>

Notes:

1. Whenever you see "F9/ D7/", use the chord forms 2333, and 2223, respectively, not Hawaiian D7.

2	3	4	5	6	7	
E	Gb	Ab	A	B	Db	Eb
F	G	A	Bb	C	D	E

Intro with harmonica: F/ Am/ Bb/ C7/ F/ Am/ Bb/ C7

Verse 1:

/ F/// Bb/// F/ Am/ F9/ D7/ [F9=2333, D7=2223]
Merry Christmas, Ala-bama, . . . Merry Christmas, . . . Tenne-ssee
Gm7/ C7/ F A7 Dm/ G7/// C7// [Gm7=0211, Dm=2210]
Merry Christmas, . . . Louisi-ana, to St. Barts and the Florida Keys

Verse 2:

/ F/// Bb// / F/ Am / F9/ D7/
Merry Christmas, Missi-ssippi, . . . where I started this wild and crazy run
Gm7/ C7/ F A7 Dm / Gm7/ C7/ F/ F7// [F7=2310]
Such a long way . . . from that first birth- day, Merry Christmas, every-one

Bridge:

/ Bb/ C7/ F/// Bb/ C7/ F9/ F7/
And Merry Christmas, . . . Colo-rado, though far from you all I have roamed
Bb/ C7/ F Dm// / Am/// Gm7 / C7//
Tis the season to re-mem-ber all the faces and places that were home.

Verse 3:

/ F// / Bb// / F / Am / F9/ D7/
Tis the season to re-member, . . . and to count up all the ports of call I've known
Gm7/ C7/ F A7 Dm / Gm7/ C7/ F///
And to thank his mercies ten- der for I'm never far from home.

Verse 4:

[Instrumental with harmonica]: Bb/ C7/ F/ Am/ F9/ D7/
Gm7 / C7 / F/ F7 / Bb / C7 / F9/ F7/
Merry Christmas to my saints and guardian angels . . . who protect me as I roam
Bb / C7 / F Dm/ / Am/// Gm7 / C7/
Tis the season to remem ber all the faces and the places that were home.

Verse 5:

F // / Bb// / F/ Am / F9/ D7/
Guess my life's moved at near light speed, . . . since I started this wild and crazy run
Gm7 // / C7 F A7 Dm / Gm7 / C7/ F9/ D7/
Such a long way from that first birth- day, Merry Christmas, everyone

Ending:

Gm7/ C7 / F A7 Dm / Gm7/ C7 / F/ Am/ Bb/ C7/ F
'Tis the season to re-mem- ber, that we're never far from home. "Merry Xmas, everyone!"

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Notes:

1. GCEA chord forms indicated
2. Key 2 3 4 5 6 7
E Gb Ab A B Db Eb
F G A Bb C D E

Intro with harmonica: E/ Abm/ A/ B7/ E/ Abm/ A/ B7

Verse 1:

/ E/// A/// E/ Abm/ E9/ Db7/

Merry Christmas, Ala-bama, . . . Merry Christmas, . . . Tennessee

Gbm7/ B7/ E Ab7 Dbm/ Gb7/// B7/ Gbm7

Merry Christmas, . . . Louisi-ana, to St. Barts and the Florida Keys

Verse 2:

B7 E/// A// / E/ Abm / E9/ Db7/

Merry Christmas, Missi-ssippi, . . . where I started this wild and crazy run

Gbm7 / B7/ E Ab7 Dbm / Gbm7/ B7/ E/ E7//

Such a long way . . . from that first birth- day, Merry Christmas, every-one

Bridge:

/ A/ B7/ E/// A/ B7/ E9/ E7/

And Merry Christmas, . . . Colo-rado, though far from you all I have roamed

A/ B7/ E Dbm// / Abm/// Gbm7 / B7//

Tis the season to re-mem-ber all the faces and places that were home.

Verse 3:

/ E// / A// / E / Abm / E9/ Db7/

Tis the season to re-member, . . . and to count up all the ports of call I've known

Gbm7/ B7/ E Ab7 Dbm / Gbm7/ B7 / E///

And to thank his mercies ten- der for I'm never far from home.

Verse 4:

[Instrumental w harmonica]: A/ B7/ E/ Abm/ E9/ Db7/

Gbm7 / B7 / E/ E7 / A / B7 / E9/ E7/

Merry Christmas to my saints and guardian angels . . . who protect me as I roam

A / B7 / E Dbm/ / Abm/// Gbm7 / B7/

Tis the season to remem ber all the faces and the places that were home.

Verse 5:

E // / A// / E/ Abm / E9/ Db7/

Guess my life's moved at near light speed, . . . since I started this wild and crazy run

Gbm7 // / B7 E Ab7 Dbm / Gbm7 / B7 / E9/ Db7/

Such a long way from that first birth- day, Merry Christmas, everyone

Ending:

Gbm7/ B7 / E Ab7 Dbm / Gbm7/ B7 / E/ Abm/ A/ B7/ E

'Tis the season to remem- ber, that we're never far from home. "Merry Xmas, everyone!"