Big Yellow Taxi
by Joni Mitchell (1970)


A . F#m . | A . F#m . | E . . . . .
They paved para-dise, put up a par-king lot

With a pink ho-tel, a bou-tique and a swing-ing hot spot.

Chorus: Don’t it al-ways seem to go, that you don’t know what you’ve got till it’s gone

A . F#m . | B . Abm . | E . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
They paved para-dise, put up a par-king lot.

(Shoooo-bop-bop-bop-bop, shooooo-bop-bop-bop-bop-bop)

A . F#m . | A . F#m . | E . . . . .
They took all the trees, put ‘em in a tree mu-seum,

A . F#m . | B . Abm . | E . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
and they charged the people a dollar and a half just to see ‘em.

Chorus: Don’t it al-ways seem to go, that you don’t know what you’ve got till it’s gone

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They paved para-dise, put up a par-king lot.

(Shoooo-bop-bop-bop-bop, shooooo-bop-bop-bop-bop-bop)

Hey, Farmer Farmer, put a-way that D-D----T now,

A . F#m . | B . Abm . | E . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
Give me spots on my apples, but leave me the birds and the bees, pлеееase

Chorus: Don’t it al-ways seem to go, that you don’t know what you’ve got till it’s gone

A . F#m . | B . Abm . | E . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
They paved para-dise, put up a par-king lot.

(Shoooo-bop-bop-bop-bop, shooooo-bop-bop-bop-bop-bop)

Late last night, I heard the screen door slam

A . F#m . | B . Abm . | E . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
And a big yellow taxi took a-way my old man

Chorus: Don’t it al-ways seem to go, that you don’t know what you’ve got till it’s gone

A . F#m . | B . Abm . | E . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
They paved para-dise, put up a par-king lot.

(Shoooo-bop-bop-bop-bop, shooooo-bop-bop-bop-bop-bop)
End: I said, don't it al-ways seem to go that you don't know what you've got till it's gone.........

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