

River - Joni Mitchell // 1971 // key: C

Intro: | C | Am | F | G |

C

1. It's coming on Christmas, they're cutting down trees

C

They're putting up reindeer and singing songs of joy and peace

Am

G

Oh I wish I had a river I could skate away on

C

But it don't snow here, it stays pretty green

C

I'm gonna make a lot of money then I'm gonna quit this crazy scene

Am

G

I wish I had a river I could skate away on

F

G

C

F-Em-Dm

C

G

F

Chorus: I wish I had a river so long I would teach my feet to fly Oh I wish I had a river I could skate away
(c)

on... I made my baby cry

Interlude: | C | Am | G |

C

2. He tried hard to help me, you know, he put me at ease

C

And he loved me so naughty made me weak in the knees

Am

G

Oh I wish I had a river I could skate away on

C

I'm so hard to handle, I'm selfish and I'm sad

C

Now I've gone and lost the best baby that I ever had

Am

G

Oh I wish I had a river I could skate away on

F

G

C

F-Em-Dm

C

G

F

Chorus: I wish I had a river so long I would teach my feet to fly Oh I wish I had a river I could skate away on...
(c)

I made my baby say goodbye

Interlude: | C | Am | G |

C

3. It's coming on Christmas, they're cutting down trees

C

They're putting up reindeer and singing songs of joy and peace

Am

G

Oh I wish I had a river I could skate away on...

Outro: | G | G | F | F |
| Dm | Dm | Dm* |