

Here Comes Santa Claus

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C

Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus,

G⁷

Right down Santa Claus Lane.

G⁷

Vixen and Blitzen and all his reindeer,

C *C⁷*

Pulling on the rein.

F *E^m*

Sleigh bells ringin', children singin',

D^m *G⁷* *C*

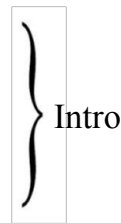
All is merry and bright.

F *G⁷* *E^m* *A*

So hang your stockings and say your prayers,

D^m *G⁷* *C*

'Cause Santa Claus comes tonight.



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Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus,

G⁷

Right down Santa Claus Lane.

G⁷

He's got a bag that's filled with toys,

C *C⁷*

For girls and boys again.

F *E^m*

Hear those sleigh bells jingle jangle,

D^m *G⁷* *C*

Oh, what a beautiful sight.

F *G⁷* *E^m* *A*

So jump in bed and cover your head,

D^m *G⁷* *C*

'Cause Santa Claus comes tonight.

History



Gene Autry at the Hollywood Christmas Parade 1947, the ride that inspired this song.

Gene Autry also was the man who popularized "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" and "Frosty the Snowman." Other songwriters wrote those for him.

www.geneautry.com, and Wikipedia

Gene Autry said he conceived the song, "**Here Comes Santa Claus**" riding ahead of the Santa float on his horse down Sunset and Hollywood Boulevards, in the annual Hollywood Christmas parade of 1947. The children were yelling, "Here comes Santa Claus! Here Comes Santa Claus!!"



Roy Rogers, Grand Marshall Gene Autry, Dale Evans at the Hollywood Christmas Parade 1980.

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