

San Francisco Bay Blues

written by Jesse Fuller. 1958;
performances also by Tom Rush, Ramblin Jack Elliot, PP&M, and Eric Clapton, et al

chords you may need to know

C F C (C7)
I got the blues when my baby left me by the San Francisco Bay,

F C (C7)
Big ocean liner's gone so far away.

F C dim C B Bb A(7)
Didn't mean to treat her so bad, she was the best gal I ever have had,

D G
She said goodbye, made me cry, made me lay down my head and die.

C F C (C7)
I ain't got a nickel and I ain't got a lousy dime.

F E7
She don't come back, think I'm going to lose my mind.

F C dim C B Bb A(7)
If she ever gets back to stay, it's going to be another brand new day,

D G(7) C
Walking with my baby down by the San Francisco Bay.

C F C F C
Sitting down on my back porch, wondering which way to go,

F C
The woman I'm so crazy about, she don't love me no more.

F (C dim) C B Bb A
Think I'll catch a freight train, 'cause I'm feeling blue,

D G
And ride all the way to the end of the line, thinking only 'bout you.

C F C F C
Meanwhile, in another city, Just about to go insane,

F E7
Thought I heard my baby, Lord, the way she used to call my name.

F C dim C B Bb A
If I ever get her back to stay, it's going to be another brand new day,

D G C B Bb A
Walking with my baby down by the San Francisco Bay-ay-ay-ay,

D G C B Bb A
Walking with my baby down by the San Francisco Bay-ay-ay-ay,

D G C
Walking with my baby down by the San Francisco Bay.

