

American Girl – Tom Petty

Key: Capo: Notes:

[Intro]

Key: D Capo: Notes:

(Guitar 1: 18 bars)

D*

(Guitar 2:)

E7 – E7 – G – G

A – A – D – D

E7 – E7 – G – G

A7 – A7

[Verse 1]

D E7
Well, she was an American girl

G A
Raised on promises

D E7
She couldn't help thinkin' that there was a

G A
little more to life somewhere else

[Pre-Chorus]

A D
After all it was a great big world

G Em
With lots of places to run to

A A
...And if she had to die ...tryin' she

A
had one little promise she was gonna keep

[Chorus]

G A D Bm
...0 yeah, ...all right, ...take it easy, baby, ...make it last all night

G A D*
...She was ...an American girl

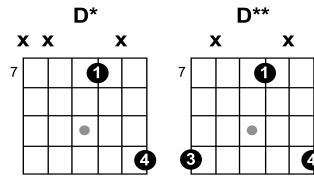
[Verse 2]

D E7
Well, it was kinda cold that night

G A
She stood alone on the balcony

D E7
Yeah, she could hear the cars roll by

G A
Out on 441 like waves crashin' on the beach



[Chords used in verse, pre-chorus, and chorus]

	D	E	G	A	Em	Bm
E	-2--0--3--0--0--2--					
B	-3--0--0--2--0--3--					
G	-2--1--0--2--0--4--					
D	-0--2--0--2--2--4--					
A	----2--2--0--2--2--					
E	----0--3-----0-----					

[Walk-up and walk-down riff]

"After all it was a great big world, with lots of places."

	D	G	G/F#	Em
e	-----2--2-2-2-----2-----3--3-3-3-----3-3-----3-3-----0-			
B	-----3--3-3-3-----3-----3--3-3-3-----3-3-----3-3-----0-			
G	-----2--2-2-2-----2-----0--0-0-0-----0-0-----0-0-----0-			
D	-----0-----0-----0--0-0-0-----0-0-----0-0-----2-			
A	-----2--2-2-2-----2-----2-2-2-2-----2-2-----x-x-----2-			
E	-----0-2-3-----3-----2-----0---			

[Pre-Chorus]

A D
And for one desperate moment there

G Em
He crept back in her memory

A
God it's so painful when something that's so close

A
is still so far out of reach

[Chorus]

G A D Bm
...0 yeah, ...all right, ...take it easy, baby, ...make it last all night

G A D*
...She was ...an American girl

[interlude]

	G	A	D
e	-----	-----	-----
B	-----	-----	-----
G	-----	-----	-----5h6h7-
D	-----x-x-----	-----	-----x3
A	-----x-x-----	-----	-----5
E	3---3---3---x-x---3h4h5---5---5---5-----		

	G	A
e	-----	-----
B	-----	-----
G	-----	-----
D	-----x-x-----	-----x-x-----
A	-----x-x-----	-----x-x-----
E	3---3---3---x-x---3h4h5---5---5---5-----	-----x-x-----

[interlude]

G G G G G# A D [3x]

G G G A A A [1x]

[intro - repeat to end]