

DARK AS A DUNGEON

Words and Music by
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Piano introduction in 2/4 time, consisting of two staves. The right hand plays a series of chords and single notes, while the left hand provides a simple bass line.

C. F G7 C

1. Come lis - ten, you fel - lers, so young and so fine, Oh seek not your
 2. (It's) man - y a man I have known in my day, Who lived just to
 3. (The) mid - night, the morn - ing, or the mid - dle of day Is the same to the
 4. (I) hope when I'm gone and the a - ges shall roll, My bod - y will

Vocal melody and piano accompaniment for the first system. The vocal line is on a single staff with lyrics below it. The piano accompaniment is on two staves below the vocal line.

F C

for - tune in the dark drear - y mine, It - 'll form as a hab - it and
 la - bor his young life a - way, Like a fiend with his dope and a
 min - er who la - bors a - way, Where the De - mons of Death of - ten
 black - en and turn in - to coal, Then I'll look from the door of my

Vocal melody and piano accompaniment for the second system. The vocal line is on a single staff with lyrics below it. The piano accompaniment is on two staves below the vocal line.

F G7 C F C

seep in your soul, Till the stream of your blood is as black as the coal,
 drunk-ard his wine, A man will have lust for the lure of the mine.
 come by sur - prise, One fall of the slate and you're bur - ried a - live.
 heav - en - ly home, And pit - y the min - er a - dig - gin' my bones.

CHORUS

G7 C G7

It's DARK AS A DUN-GEON and damp as the dew, Where the dan - ger is dou - ble and

C F G7

pleas - ures are few, Where the rain nev - er falls and the sun nev - er shines, It's

C F C F C

DARK AS A DUN-GEON 'way down in the mines. 2. It's down in the mines.
 3. The
 4. I

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Piano introduction in 2/4 time, consisting of two staves (treble and bass clef) with chords and a simple bass line.

C. F G7 C

1. Come lis - ten, you fel - lers, so — young and so fine, Oh — seek not your
 2. (It's —) man - y a man I have — known in my day, Who — lived just to
 3. (The —) mid - night, the morn - ing, or the mid - dle of day Is the same to the
 4. (I —) hope when I'm gone and the — a - ges shall roll, My — bod - y will

Vocal melody in treble clef with lyrics. Piano accompaniment in bass clef. Chords C, F, G7, and C are indicated above the staff.

F C

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 la - bor his — young life a - way, Like a fiend with his dope and a
 min - er who — la - bors a - way, Where the De - mons of Death of - ten
 black - en and — turn in - to coal, Then I'll look from the door of my

Vocal melody in treble clef with lyrics. Piano accompaniment in bass clef. Chords F and C are indicated above the staff.

F G7 C F C

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 drunk-ard his wine, A man will have lust for the lure of the mine.
 come by sur-prise, One fall of the slate and you're bur-ried a-live.
 heav-en-ly home, And pit-y the min-er a-dig-gin' my bones.

CHORUS

G7 C G7

It's DARK AS A DUN-GEON and dampas the dew, Where the dan-ger is dou-ble and

C F G7

pleas-ures are few, Where the rain nev-er falls and the sun nev-er shines, It's

C F C F C

DARK AS A DUN-GEON 'way down in the mines. 1-2-3 4
 2. It's down in the mines.
 3. The
 4. I