

Stagolee [Stagger Lee] Taj Mahal lyrics
Key of C (To play with Taj capo on 1)

Intro: C / F / C / G7 / C

Instrumental verse

C
Could be on a rainy morning
C7
Could be on a rainy night
F (group enters)
Stagger Lee and Billy DeLyons
C
Had a great big fight
G
Talkin' 'bout the bad man
C
Cruel old Stagger Lee

"Stagger Lee", said Billy
C7
"Man I can't go with that
F
I done won all your money
C
And your great big Stetson hat"
G
Talkin' 'bout the bad man
C
Cruel old Stagger Lee

Solo on Verse

"Stagger Lee", said Billy
C7
"Man don't take my life
F
I got two lovely children
C
I got a very lovely wife"
G
Talkin' 'bout the bad man
C
Cruel old Stagger Lee

Solo on verse

Stagger Lee shot Billy
C7
Shot the boy so bad
F
The bullet went through Billy
C
Broke the bartender's looking glass
G
Talkin' 'bout the bad man
C
Cruel old Stagger Lee

If you ever down in Louisiana
C7
Go into the Lions Club
F
Every foot you be steppin' in, is
C
Billy DeLyon's blood
G
Talkin' 'bout the bad man, bad man
C
Cruel old Stagger Lee

Solo on verse

It could be on a rainy morning
C7
It could been on a rainy night
F
Oh, Stagger Lee and Billy DeLyons
C
Had a great big fight
G
Talkin' 'bout the bad man
C
Cruel old Stagger Lee

Solo on Verse – ending: C / G / C