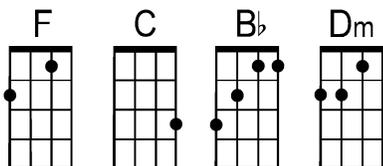


# California

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Finger-pick pattern: 4 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 2 - 3

**Intro:** Bb . . . F . . . Bb . . . F . . . Bb . . . F . . . C . . . F . . . F . . .

**Bb**

**F**

**Dm**

**C**

## Refrain:

*California, California, you know I love you, California. When I leave, I know you wait for me*

**Bb**

**F**

**Bb**

**C**

**F**

*Cuz in the sun and in the weather, no one else has loved me better. California, you're the place for me.*

**Bb**

**F**

**Dm**

**C**

Los Angeles, Los Angeles, my heart goes out to you, and when I make it back, I love to drive a-round

**Bb**

**F**

**Bb**

**C**

**F**

Cuz your streets are wide and dirty and they've raised me in a hurry. You're the city of the angels, yes, in-deed.

**Bb**

**F**

**Dm**

**C**

San Francisco, San Francisco, always busy, you're always pretty, I can see you just across the Bay.

**Bb**

**F**

**Bb**

**C**

**F**

Your red bridge over the sea keeps me safe and warm and free. On a clear day, there's no place I'd rather be.

**Bb**

**F**

**Dm**

**C**

In the mountains, in the mountains, no one knows you like I do, in the summer streams and knee-deep in the snow.

**Bb**

**F**

**Bb**

**C**

**F**

Just like the giving tree, you have made a man of me, cuz everyone needs someplace beautiful,

**Bb**

**C**

**F**

Oh I think everyone needs someplace beautiful.

## Refrain

**Bb**

**F**

**Dm**

**C**

In the valley, in the valley, give me life and cradle me, the sun is setting as I drive ahead.

**Bb**

**F**

**Bb**

**C**

**F**

Keep and sustain us, give us food and love and I trust, that without you, we'd all soon be dead.

**Bb**

**F**

**Dm**

**C**

In the forest, all the trees, you make a little child of me, how I long to know what you have seen.

**Bb**

**F**

**Bb**

**C**

**F**

All the people who are gone and all the ones who once were strong, oh won't you keep their fate from claiming me.

**Bb**

**F**

**Dm**

**C**

In the oceans, in the sea, we have seen eternity. How can I tell when you really end?

**Bb**

**F**

**Bb**

**C**

**F**

I'll imagine that you lead to other worlds entirely, where we can save ourselves and start a-gain.

**Bb**

**C**

**F**

yes, we need to save ourselves and start a-gain.

## Refrain

**Bb**

**F**

**Dm**

**C**

So nurse me like a mother, raise me strong just like my father, let me wander off and discover who I am

**Bb**

**F**

**Bb**

**C**

**F**

I'll have learned your deepest lessons, gathered up your finest blessings, re-turn to Cali-for-nia once a-gain

**Bb**

**C**

**F**

Yes, I'll come home to Cali-for-nia once a-gain.

## Refrain