

The Garden Song

David Mallett, 1975

Intro: C, D7, G, Am, D7, G (last line of chorus)

G C G C D7 G

Chorus: Inch by inch, row by row... gonna make this garden grow.

C D7 G Em Am D7

All it takes is a rake and a hoe and a piece of fertile ground.

G C G C D7 G

Inch by inch, row by row, someone bless these seeds I sow.

C D7 G Am D7 G

Someone warm them from below, 'til the rain comes tumbling down.

G C G C D7 G

Verse 1: Pulling weeds and picking stones, we are made of dreams and bones.

C D7 G Em Am D7

Feel the need to grow my own 'cause the time is close at hand.

G C G C D7 G

Grain for grain, sun and rain, find my way in nature's chain,

C D7 G Am D7 G

Tune my body and my brain to the music of the land.

[Chorus]

G C G C D7 G

Verse 2: Plant your rows straight and long, temper them with prayer and song.

C D7 G Em Am D7

Mother Earth will make you strong if you give her love and care.

G C G C D7 G

Old crow watching hungrily, from his perch in yonder tree.

C D7 G Am D7 G

In my garden I'm as free as that feathered thief up there.

[Chorus]