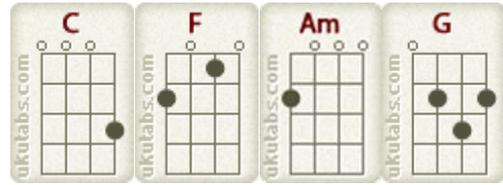


I Am Australian (Bruce Woodley/Dobe Newton)



(C) I came from the dream-time
From the (F) dusty red-soil (C) plains
I (Am) am the ancient heart
The (F) keeper (G) of the (C) flame
I stood upon the rocky shores
I (F) watched the (G) tall ships (Am) come
For (C) forty-thousand years I've been
The (F) first Au(G)stra(C)lian

I came upon the prison ship
Bowed (F) down by iron (C) chains
I (Am) fought the land, endured the lash
And (F) waited (G) for the (C) rains
I'm a settler, I'm a farmer's wife
On a (F) dry and (G) barren (Am) run
A (C) convict then a free man
I be(F)came Au(G)stra(C)lian

I'm the daughter of a digger
Who (F) sought the mother (C) lode
The (Am) girl became a woman
On the (F) long and (G) dusty (C) road
I'm a child of the Depression
I (F) saw the (G) good times (Am) come
I'm a (C) bushie, I'm a battler
I (F) am Au(G)stra(C)lian

I'm a teller of stories
I'm a (F) singer of (C) songs
I am (Am) Albert Namatjira
And I (F) paint the (G) ghostly (C) gums
I'm Clancy on his horse
I'm Ned (F) Kelly (G) on the (Am) run
I'm the (C) one who waltzed Matilda
I (F) am Au(G)stra(C)lian

I'm the hot wind from the desert
I'm the (F) black soil of the (C) plains
I'm the (Am) mountains and the valleys
I'm the (F) drought and (G) flooding (C) rains
I am the rock, I am the sky
The (F) rivers (G) when they (Am) run
The (C) spirit of this great land
I (F) am Au(G)stra(C)lian

Chorus x 2 (repeat last line)

**We are (C) one, but we are (F) man(C)y
And from (Am) all the (F) lands on (G) earth we (C) come
We'll share a dream and sing with (F) one (C) voice
(F) I (C) am (Am) you (G) are, we (F) are Au(G)stra(C)lian**