

PLAY THAT FUNKY MUSIC

Wild Cherry

Words and music by Robert Parissi *Transcribed by Andy Aledort*

A Intro
Moderate funk ♩ = 108

(3rd time) A hey Do it now huh
F#9 F9 E9 Eb9 E9 F#9 F9

Gtr. 2

Rhy. Fig. 1 (0:09)

1 (play 3 times) Riff A end Riff A

Gtr. 1 (clean tone) *mf*

Yeah hey 1. Hey once I
E9 Eb9 E9 F#9 F9 E9 Eb9 E9 F#9 F9 E9 Eb9 E9 F#9 F9

Gtr. 1 plays Riff A three times

4 Gtr. 2 end Rhy. Fig. 1

B 1st & 2nd Verses (0:18, 1:40)

(1.) was a boogie singer
everything around me yeah
(2.) first it wasn't easy
now it's so much better (It's so much better) I'm

E9 Eb9 E9 F#9 F9 E9 Eb9 E9 F#9 F9

Gtr. 1 plays Riff A 16 times

Gtr. 3 plays Fill 1 on D.S.

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Fill 1 (1:46)

Gtr. 3 (end of solo)

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(1.) playin' in a rock and roll band I
 got to start to feelin' so low And
 (2.) changin' rock 'n' rollin' minds If
 funkun' out in every way But I'll

9 E9 Eb9 E9 F#9 F9 E9 Eb9 E9 F#9 F9

never had no problems yeah
 I decided to start quickly (yes I did) to
 things were gettin' shaky I of
 never lose that feelin' (You know I won't) of

11 E9 Eb9 E9 F#9 F9 E9 Eb9 E9 F#9 F9

burnin' down the one night stands
 disco down and check out the show Yeah When they were
 thought I'd have to leave it behind Oh they but
 how I learned my lesson that day When they were

13 E9 Eb9 E9 F#9 F9 E9 Eb9 E9 F#9 F9

C Pre-chorus (0:53, 2:21)

dancin' and singin' and movin' to the groovin' And just when it hit me some -

E9

Gtr. 2

15

Gtr. 1

5 5 7 X 7 5 5 7 X 7

D Chorus (1:02, 2:30)

body turned around and shouted Play that funky music white boy

F9 F#9 G9 A9 Ab9 G9 A9 Ab9

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Riff B end Riff B

5 5 7 7 7 5 5 7 7 7 3 5 3 5 3 5

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E Guitar Solo (1:28)

Huh

N.C.(E9)

Gr. 2 plays Rhy. Fig. 1 two times simile

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Gr. 3

Riff C

Gr. 1

0 0 7 5 7 X 4 5 X 4 5 5 7 5 7

end Riff C

Gr. 1 plays Riff C three times

33

full full full full full full 1/4 1/2 full full full full

35

full 1/2 1/2 full full

D.S. at Coda

(go back to [B])

Hey wait a minute 2. Now

37

1/2 1/2 1/2 full

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⊕ Coda (2:47)

till you die Yeah oh till you die

E9 Eb9 E9 Fb9 F9 E9 E7 Eb7 E7 F#9 F9 E9 E7 Eb7 E7 F#9 F9

Gr. 1 plays Riff A four times

Gr. 2

39

[F] Outro (2:56)

(Begin fade 2nd time)

Yeah come on They shouted play that funky music

E9 E7 Eb7 E7 F9 F#9

G9

Gr. 2

sim.

42

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1.
(1st time)
You got to keep on playin' funky music

A9 G9 A9

44

Fade out

2. Gonna take you higher now Play that funky music

G9 Ab9 A9

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bass line

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C Pre-chorus (0:53, 2:21)
...dancin' and singin'...

D Chorus (1:02, 2:30)
play that funky music...
G9 (play 4 times)

E Guitar Solo (1:28)
(4th time) D.S. al Coda (go back to **B**)

F Outro (2:56)
...play that funky music...
G9 A9 fade out

13 Bb9 (1:15, 2:43) N.C. (Cmaj7) B7#9

19 Coda (2:47)

mf Elec. Bass

* Chord name represents overall tonality

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