

Big Yellow Taxi – year: 1970 Performer :Joni Mitchell

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9C1BCAgu2I8>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tgl1fJ5T984>

INTRO:

[F] //// [G] //// [C] //// [CsusC] //// [CsusC] //// [CsusC] ////

They [F]paved paradise and put up a parking [C]lot
With a [F]pink hotel, a bou[G]tique and a swinging [C]hot spot

CHORUS

[C] / Don't it always [G] / seem to go
That you [F] / don't know what you've got til [F] / its [C] / gone
They [F]paved paradise and [G]put up a parking [C]lot
Ooh la la la la....ooh la la la

They [F]took all the trees and put 'em in a tree [C]museum
And they [F]charged the people a [G]dollar and a half to [C]see 'em
No no no

CHORUS

[C] / Don't it always [G] / seem to go
That you [F] / don't know what you've got til [F] / its [C] / gone
They [F]paved paradise and [G]put up a parking [C]lot
Ooh la la la la....ooh la la la

Hey [F]farmer farmer put away the DD[C]T
Give me [F]spots on my apples but [G]leave me the birds and the
[C]bees
Please!

CHORUS

[C] / Don't it always [G] / seem to go
That you [F] / don't know what you've got til [F] / its [C] / gone
They [F] paved paradise and [G] put up a parking [C] lot
Ooh la la la la....ooh la la la

Listenin' [F] late last night I heard the screen door [C] slam [*hang*]
And a [F] big yellow taxi [G] took my [C] old man

CHORUS

[C] / Don't it always [G] / seem to go
That you [F] / don't know what you've got til [F] / its [C] / gone
They [F] paved paradise and [G] put up a parking [C] lot

Yeah, they [F] paved paradise and [G] put up a parking [C] lot

[Start to slow down]

I said they [F] paved paradise and [G] put up a parking [C] lot

[Slower with arpeggio or gentle strum] **3 - 2 - 1 - 2**

[C] Don't it always [G] seem to go

That you [F] don't know what you've got 'til [F] it's [C] /

