## **FMaggie May**

Traditional.

F Bosworth Arrangement (1964) for The Spinners (Folk Singers)

4 / 4 Time. Intro: [C] [C] [C]

[C] Oh, gather round you sailor boys, and [F] listen to my [C] plea, And when you've heard my tale, you'll pity [G7] me.

For I [C] was a ruddy [C7] fool

In the [F] port of Liverpool,

The [G7] first time that I come home from [C] sea.

Chorus: Oh, [F] Maggie, Maggie May, they have [C] taken her away,
And she'll never walk down Lime Street any [G7] more.
For she [C] robbed so many [C7] sailors,
And [F] captains of the whalers,
That [G7] dirty, robbin', no good, Maggie [C] May.

We [C] paid off at the home, from the [F] port of Sierra Leone,
And four [C] pounds ten a month was me [G7] pay.
With a [C] pocket full of [C7] tin,
I was [F] very soon took in
By a [G7] girl with the name of Maggie [C] May. -------Chorus

Oh, [C] well I remember when I [F] first met Maggie May, She was[C] cruising up and down in Canning [G7] Place.

She'd a [C] figure so di-[C7]-vine,

Like a [F] frigate of the line,

And [G7] me being just a sailor, I gave [C] chase. -----Chorus

Well in the [C] morning I awoke, I was [F] flat and stoney broke,

No [C] Jacket, trousers, waistcoat could I [G7] find.

When I [C] asked her where they [C7] were,

She said, [F] "My very good sir,

They're [G7] down in Kelly's knocker, number [C] nine".-----Chorus

Well, to the [G] pawnshop I did go, no [C] clothes could I find,

And the [C] policeman came and took that girl a-[G7]-way.

The [C] judge he guilty [C7] found her,

Of [G] robbin' a homeward-bounder,

And [G7] paid her passage back to Botany [C] Bay. -----Chorus





