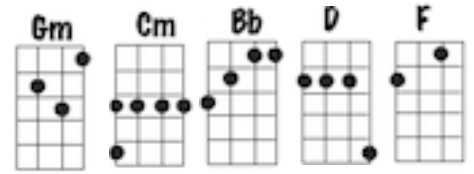


WILD ROSE - NICK CAVE



Red = female part, Green = male part

Elisa: Chorus

They [Gm] call me The [Cm] Wild [Gm] Rose
But my [Bb] name was Elisa [D] Day
Why they [Gm] call me it I do [Cm] not [Gm] know
For my name was [F] Elisa [Gm] Day

He:

From the [Gm] first day I saw her I knew [Bb] she was the one
As she [Cm] stared in my eyes and [D] smiled
For her [Gm] lips were the color of the [Bb] roses
They grew [Cm] down the river, all [D] bloody and wild

Elisa:

When he [Gm] knocked on my door and [Bb] entered the room
My [Cm] trembling subsided in [D] his sure embrace
He would [Gm] be my first man, and with a [Bb] careful hand
He [Cm] wiped the tears that [D] ran down my face

He:

On the [Gm] second day I brought her a [Bb] flower
She [Cm] was more beautiful than any [D] woman I'd seen
I said, [Gm] "Do you know where the [Bb] wild roses grow
So [Cm] sweet and scarlet and [D] free?"

Elisa:

On the [Gm] second day he came with [Bb] a single rose
Said: [Cm] "Will you give me your [D] loss and your sorrow?"
I [Gm] nodded my head, as I [Bb] lay on the bed
He said, [Cm] "If I show you the roses [D] will you follow?"

Elisa:

On the [Gm] third day he took me to the [Bb] river
He [Cm] showed me the roses and we [D] kissed
And the [Gm] last thing I heard [Bb] was a muttered word
As he [Cm] stood smiling above me with a [D] rock in his fist

He:

On the [Gm] last day I took her where the [Bb] wild roses grow
And she [Cm] lay on the bank, the [D] wind light as a thief
As I [Gm] kissed her goodbye, I said, [Bb] "All beauty must die"
And I [Cm] lent down and planted a [D] rose between her teeth

Elisa: Chorus (see top)