

Hold On - Tom Waits

D G
They hung a sign up in our town
A D
"If you live it up you won't live it down"
G
So she left Monte Rio, son
A D
Just like a bullet leaves a gun
G A
With her charcoal eyes and Monroe hips
D G
She went and took that California trip
Em A
Oh the moon was gold and her hair like wind
Em A
She said don't look but just a-come on Jim

D A
Oh, you got to hold on, hold on
D G
You gotta hold on
D A
Take my hand, I'm standin' right here
D
You got go hold on

D G
Well he gave her a dime store watch
A D
And a ring made from a spoon
G
Everyone's lookin' for someone to blame
A D
When you share my bed you share my name
D G
Well, go ahead and call the cops
G A
You don't meet nice girls in coffee shops
Em A
She said baby I still love you
Em A
Sometimes there's nothin' left to

Nak.

D G
Well God bless your crooked little heart
A D
St. Louis got the best of me

G

I miss your broken China voice

A D

Now I wish you were still here with me

D G

Oh you build it up, you wreck it down

G A

Then you burn your mansion to the ground

Em A

Oh there's nothin' left to keep you here

Em A

But when you're fallin' behind in this big blue world

Nak.

D G

Now by the riverside motel

A D

It's ten below and falling

G

By a ninety-nine cent store

A D

She closed her eyes and started swaying

D G

But it's so hard to dance that way

G A

When it's cold and there's no music

Em A

With your old hometown so far away

Em A

But inside your head there's a record that's playin', a song called

Nak. (4x)

D

You gotta hold on.