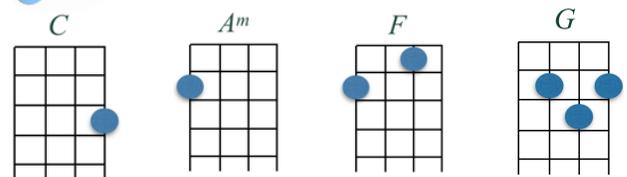
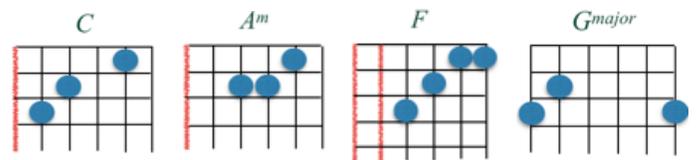


# Octopus' Garden

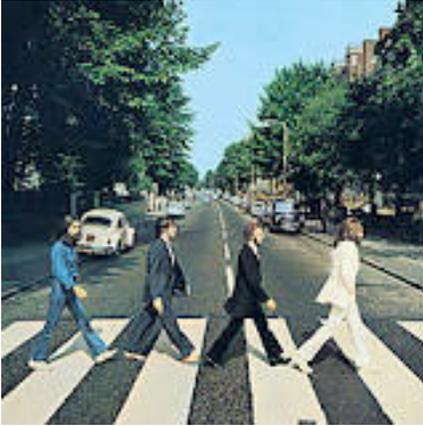
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*C* *Am*  
 I'd like to be, under the sea;  
*F* *G*  
 In an octopus's garden in the shade.  
*C* *Am*  
 He'd let us in knows where we've been;  
*F* *G*  
 In his octopus's garden in the shade.  
*Am* *F*  
 I'd ask my friends, to come and see;  
*F* *G*  
 An octopus's garden with me.  
*C* *Am*  
 I'd like to be, under the sea;  
*F* *G* *C*  
 In an octopus's garden in the shade.  
  
*C* *Am*  
 We would be warm below the storm;  
*F* *G*  
 In our little hideaway beneath the waves.  
*C* *Am*  
 Resting our head on the sea bed;  
*F* *G*  
 In an octopus's garden near a cave.  
*Am* *F*  
 We would sing, and dance around;  
*F* *G*  
 Because we know we can't be found.  
*C* *Am*  
 I'd like to be, under the sea;  
*F* *G* *C*  
 In an octopus's garden in the shade.

*C* *Am*  
 We would shout and swim about;  
*F* *G*  
 The coral that lies beneath the waves.  
*C* *Am*  
 Oh, what joy, for every girl and boy;  
*F* *G*  
 Knowing they're happy and they're safe.  
*Am* *F*  
 We would be, so happy you and me;  
*F* *G*  
 No one there to tell us what to do.  
*C* *Am*  
 I'd like to be under the sea;  
*F* *G* *C*  
 In an octopus's garden with you.  
*F* *G* *C*  
 In an octopus's garden with you.  
*F* *G* *C*  
 In an octopus's garden with you.



# History



Abbey Road, The Beatles

"Octopus' Garden" is a song written and sung by Ringo Starr (credited to his real name Richard Starkey) from The Beatles' 1969 album Abbey Road. The idea for the song came about when Starr was on a boat belonging to comedian Peter Sellers in Sardinia in 1968. The boat's captain told Starr about how octopuses travel along the sea bed picking up stones and shiny objects with which to build gardens. Starr's songwriting was further inspired by his desire to escape mounting hostility among the Beatles; he would later admit that he had "just wanted to be under the sea, too."



*Octopus' Garden*  
Illustrated by Ben Cort and published with a CD of Ringo reading the story and an original, previously un-heard recording of the song by Ringo.

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