



**River – Joni Mitchell SSAA + piano**

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- Joni Mitchell -

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Arranged by Hans Kaldeway  
Original Key C major*

DEMO

VEEP

**A** Flowing ballad ♩=96

Soprano 1 *mf*  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa

Soprano 2 *mp*  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa

Alto 1 *mf*  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa

Alto 2 *mp*  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa

Piano Solo Advanced  
C A<sup>m7</sup> F<sup>Δ9</sup>

14 C

S1  
I could skate a - way on But it don't snow here, it stays pret - ty green. I'm gon - na

S2  
I could skate a - way on But it don't snow here, it stays pret - ty green. I'm gon - na

A1  
I could skate a - way on But it don't snow here, it stays pret - ty green. I'm gon - na

A2  
I could skate a - way on But it don't snow here, it stays pret - ty green. I'm gon - na

G D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C

P.S.A.

19

S1  
make a lot of mon - ey, then I'm gon - na quit this cra - zy scene I wish I had a riv - er I could skate a -

S2  
make a lot of mon - ey, then I'm gon - na quit this cra - zy scene I wish I had a riv - er I could skate a -

A1  
make a lot of mon - ey, then I'm gon - na quit this cra - zy scene I wish I had a riv - er I could skate a -

A2  
make a lot of mon - ey, then I'm gon - na quit this cra - zy scene I wish I had a riv - er I could skate a -

D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C A<sup>m</sup>

P.S.A.

34

S1  
I made my ba - by cry din din din din din din

S2  
I made my ba - by cry din din din din din din

A1  
oo dum din din dum din din dum din din dum din din

A2  
oo oo doo doo doo doo doo doo

*mf legato*

D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c A<sup>m</sup>7

P.S.A.

39

S1  
din din din din din doo doo doo He tried hard to help me, you know he put me at ease. And he

S2  
din din din din din doo doo doo He tried hard to help me, you know he put me at ease. And he

A1  
dum din din dum din din dum din din dum din din dum He tried hard to help me, you know he put me at ease. And he

A2  
doo doo doo doo doo He tried hard to help me, you know he put me at ease. And he

B<sup>dim</sup>/a A<sup>m</sup> G D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C

P.S.A.

53

S1  
— ev - er had — Oh, I wish I had a riv - er — I could skate a - way — on — I

S2  
— ev - er had — Oh, I wish I had a riv - er — I could skate a - way — on — I

A1  
— ev - er had — Oh, I wish I had a riv - er — I could skate a - way — on — I

A2  
— ev - er had — Oh, I wish I had a riv - er — I could skate a - way — on — I

D<sup>m</sup>/c C A<sup>m</sup> G F/g

P.S.A.

58

S1  
wish I had a riv - er so — long — I could teach my feet to — fly —

S2  
wish I had a riv - er so — long — I could teach my feet to — fly —

A1  
wish I had a riv - er so — long — I could teach my feet to — fly —

A2  
wish I had a riv - er so — long — I could teach my feet to — fly —

F G C F E<sup>m</sup> D<sup>m</sup> E<sup>m</sup>/d D<sup>m7</sup> G/d

P.S.A.

74 H

S1 *mp*  
din din din — din doo doo — doo — It's com-in' on — Christ - mas, they're

S2 *mp*  
din din din — din doo doo — doo — It's com-in' on — Christ - mas, they're

A1 *mp*  
dum din din dum — din din dum din din dum — din din dum din din dum It's com-in' on — Christ - mas, they're

A2 *mp*  
doo doo doo doo doo doo — doo doo doo — It's com-in' on — Christ - mas, they're

P.S.A. *mp*  
G D<sup>m</sup>/c C

78

S1  
cut-tin' down trees. They're put-tin' up rein - deer and sing-ing songs of — joy — and peace. Oh, I wish I had a riv - er —

S2  
cut-tin' down trees. They're put-tin' up rein - deer and sing-ing songs of — joy — and peace. Oh, I wish I had a riv - er —

A1  
cut-tin' down trees. They're put-tin' up rein - deer and sing-ing songs of — joy — and peace. Oh, I wish I had a riv - er —

A2  
cut-tin' down trees. They're put-tin' up rein - deer and sing-ing songs of — joy — and peace. Oh, I wish I had a riv - er —

P.S.A.  
D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C A<sup>m</sup>

93 *decresc. e rall.*

S1  
pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa dam - mm \_\_\_\_\_

S2  
pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa dam - mm \_\_\_\_\_

A1  
pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa dam - mm \_\_\_\_\_

A2  
pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa dam - mm \_\_\_\_\_

P.S.A.  
Dm7

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Alto 2 *mp*  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa

6 **B** *mp*  
S1 pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa It's com-in' on Christ - mas, they're

S2 *mp*  
pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa It's com-in' on Christ - mas, they're

A1 *mp*  
pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa It's com-in' on Christ - mas, they're

A2 *mp*  
pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa It's com-in' on Christ - mas, they're

20

S1  
\_ this cra - zy \_\_\_ scene I \_\_\_ wish I had a riv - er \_\_\_ I could skate a - way \_\_\_ on \_\_\_

S2  
\_ this cra - zy \_\_\_ scene I \_\_\_ wish I had a riv - er \_\_\_ I could skate a - way \_\_\_ on \_\_\_

A1  
\_ this cra - zy \_\_\_ scene I \_\_\_ wish I had a riv - er \_\_\_ I could skate a - way \_\_\_ on \_\_\_

A2  
\_ this cra - zy \_\_\_ scene I \_\_\_ wish I had a riv - er \_\_\_ I could skate a - way \_\_\_ on \_\_\_

24 **D**

S1  
I wish I had a riv-er so long I could teach my feet to fly *cresc.*

S2  
I wish I had a riv-er so long I could teach my feet to fly

A1  
I wish I had a riv-er so long I could teach my feet to fly

A2  
I wish I had a riv-er so long I could teach my feet to fly

29

S1  
Oh I wish I had a riv - er, I could skate a-way on.

S2  
oo oo oo

A1  
oo oo oo

A2  
oo oo oo

45

S1  
S2  
A1  
A2

weak in the knees. Oh, I wish I had a river I could skate away on

49

S1  
S2  
A1  
A2

I'm so hard to handle, I'm selfish and I'm sad, now I'm gone and

**F**

52

S1  
S2  
A1  
A2

lost the best baby that I ever had Oh, I wish I had a river



I

87 *p*

S1  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa

S2  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa

A1  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa

A2  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa

92 *decresc. e rall.*

S1  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa

S2  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa

A1  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa

A2  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa pa

97

S1  
pa pa pa pa dam - mm

S2  
pa pa pa pa dam - mm

A1  
pa pa pa pa dam - mm

A2  
pa pa pa pa dam - mm

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**B**

7 G<sup>7</sup> C/g G<sup>7</sup> A<sup>m</sup>/g G D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C

**C**

13 A<sup>m</sup> G D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C

19 D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C A<sup>m</sup> G F/g

**D**

25 F G C F E<sup>m</sup> D<sup>m</sup> E<sup>m</sup>/d D<sup>m7</sup> G/d

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**B**

7 G<sup>7</sup> C/g G<sup>7</sup> A<sup>m</sup>/g G D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C

*mp*

It's com-in' on Christ - mas, they're cut-tin' down trees. They're

11 D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C A<sup>m</sup>

put-tin' up rein-deer and sing-ing songs of joy and peace. Oh, I wish I had a riv - er I could skate a -

**C**

15 G D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C

way on But it don't snow her, It stays pret-ty green. I'm gon-na

19 D<sup>m</sup>/c C D<sup>m</sup>/c C A<sup>m</sup>

make a lot of mon-ey, then I'm gon-na quit this cra - zy scene I wish I had a riv - er

**D**

22 G F/g F G

I could skate a - way on I wish I had a riv-er so long I could

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A

B  
It's comin' on Christmas, they're cutting down trees  
They're puttin' up reindeer and singing songs of joy and peace.  
Oh, I wish I had a river I could skate away on.

C

But it don't snow here, it stays pretty green.  
I'm gonna make a lot of money, then I'm gonna quit this crazy scene  
Oh, I wish I had a river I could skate away on.

D

I wish I had a river so long I could teach my feet to fly.  
Oh I wish I had a river I could skate away on.  
I made my baby cry.

E

He tried hard to help, you know he put me at ease.  
And he loved me so naughty, made me weak in the knees.  
Oh, wish I had a river I could skate away on.

F

I'm so hard to handle, I'm selfish and I'm sad,  
now I'm gone and lost the best baby that I ever had.  
Oh, I wish I had a river I could skate away on.

G

I wish I had a river so long I could teach my feet to fly.  
Oh I wish I had a river I could skate away on.  
I made my baby say goodbye.

H

It's comin' on Christmas, they're cutting down trees  
They're puttin' up reindeer and singing songs of joy and peace.  
Oh, I wish I had a river I could skate away on.

I