

# Song For A Cowboy

**I** suppose it was inevitable that some country-music style crept into my writing around the time I went into the army and found myself assigned for a while in Texas. Who can resist all the imagery of cowboys, riding horses and jumping haystacks, working outside in the sun, campfires at night, singing songs and playing guitar - all these images were rolled together in this Song for a Cowboy, and it was a fun kind of rolling rhythm to play on the guitar as well.

This was always a popular song and it was very often requested. It's the kind of song that's just plain fun to do, and it was fun to write as well. In fact, there are very few songs that I just "sit down and write". Usually, a song just "happens" to me as a result of something external that happens, or an experience that inspires me. But, this song is one of those very few, that I simply sat down and consciously wrote. I always said that wasn't the way to truly "write" a song, however it seems like many other things in life, that there have been exceptions to the rule.... enjoy this song for a cowboy!

- John