

Year Of The Cat

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(Cmaj7)(D)(Em) x3 (Am7)(D7)

On a **(Cmaj7)** morning from a **(Bm7)** Bogart **(Em)** movie
In a **(Cmaj7)** country where they **(Bm7)** turn back **(Em)** time
You go **(Cmaj7)** strolling through the **(Bm7)** crowd like **(Em)** Peter Lorre
Contem**(Am7)**plating a crime **(D7)**
She comes **(Cmaj7)** out of the **(Bm7)** sun in a **(Em)** silk dress running
Like a **(B7)** watercolor in the **(C)** rain
Don't bother **(B7)** asking for **(Em)** explanations
She'll just **(Am7)** tell you that she came **(D7)**
In the year of the **(Cmaj7)** cat **(D)(Em) x3 (Am7)(D7)**

She **(Cmaj7)** doesn't give you **(Bm7)** time for **(Em)** questions
As she **(Cmaj7)** locks up your **(Bm7)** arm in **(Em)** hers
And you **(Cmaj7)** follow till your **(Bm7)** sense of **(Em)** which direction
Com**(Am7)**pletely disappears **(D7)**
By the **(Cmaj7)** blue tiled **(Bm7)** walls near the **(Em)** market stalls
There's a **(B7)** hidden door she leads you **(C)** to
These days, she **(B7)** says, "I **(Em)** feel my life
Just like a **(Am7)** river running through" **(D7)**
The year of the **(Cmaj7)** cat **(D)(Em) x3 (Am7)(D)**

Why she **(B7)** looks at you so **(C)** coolly?
And her **(G)** eyes shine like the **(D)** moon in the sea
She comes in **(B7)** incense and patch**(C)**ouli
So you **(G)** take her, to **(F)** find what's **(C)** waiting inside **(D) tacet**

The year of the **(Cmaj7)** cat **(D)(Em) x3 (Am7)(D) repeat**

Well **(Cmaj7)** morning comes and **(Bm7)** you're still **(Em)** with her
And the **(Cmaj7)** bus and the **(Bm7)** tourists are **(Em)** gone
And you've **(Cmaj7)** thrown away your **(Bm7)** choice
you've **(Em)** lost your ticket

So you **(Am7)** have to stay on **(D7)**
But the **(Cmaj7)** drumbeat **(Bm7)** strains of the **(Em)** night remain
In the **(B7)** rhythm of the new-born **(C)** day
You know some**(B7)** time you're **(Em)** bound to leave her
But for **(Am7)** now you're going to stay **(D7)**
In the year of the **(Cmaj7)** cat **(D)(Em) x3 (Am7)(D7) repeat**

