

DOWN IN NEW MEXICO

This is another song by one of our many talented members, Lloyd Ernstes. Lloyd has helped us out many times by running sound at our Second Saturday concerts. Lloyd recorded and mastered the demo at his studio and music store in Stafford, Texas. You may recognize some familiar voices and players on the demo, including Tica Gibson, Marion Winsett and Kelly Lancaster. https://youtu.be/ivx_gtyHioo

Billy the Kid

by Lloyd Ernstes

C **Dm** **F** **G**
Billy the Kid was a rambling man. He knew those bad lands so well.
C **Dm** **F** **G**
He made a living with a gun in his hand. Though not many lived to tell.
C **Dm** **F** **G**
The Kid was born in New York they say. Henry McCarty was his name.
C **Dm** **F** **G**
Got in a fight near Fort Grant one day. Murdered a man so they claim.

Am **F**
Up on his horse and away he would ride.
Am **F**
To the Badlands he would go.
Dm **G7**
Stealing cattle and shooting a few men.
C **Am C** **G7** **C**
Down in New Mexico, down in New Mexico.

In 1878 he lost his only friend, In the Lincoln County cattle war.
Began his life of robbing and killing then. In revenge for the friend he had no more.
The sheriff of Lincoln County captured him one day. Pat Garrett was his name.
He broke jail and he killed two deputies, With Pat Garrett on his trail.

Up on his horse and away he would ride
To the Badlands he would go.
Stealing horses and killing a few men.
Down in New Mexico, down in New Mexico.

Instrumental Break

C **Dm** **F** **G**
C **Dm** **F** **G**
Am **F** **Am** **F**
Dm **G7** **C** **Am**
C **G7** **C**

In a house at Fort Sumner Billy died. Pat Garrett shot him there.
Billy give yourself up Pat Garrett cried. The only way you'll take me is dead Billy replied.

Up on his horse and away he would ride.
To the Badlands he would go.
Stealing horses and killing a few men
Down in New Mexico, down in New Mexico.

Instrumental Ending

C **Dm** **F** **G**
C **Dm** **F** **G**
Am **F** **Am** **F**
Dm **G7** **C** **Am**
C **G7** **C**