

# THOSE WERE THE DAYS

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ad lib.

Am Am6 Am7 Am6 A7 Dm Dm6 Dm

Once up-on a time there was a tav-ern. Where we used to raise a glass or two. Re-mem-ber how we laughed a-way the  
 Then the bus-y years went rush-ing by us. We lost our star-ry no-tions on the way. If by chance I'd see you in the

Am7 Am6 B B7 E E7+5 E7 Am

CHORUS ( ) ( ) ( )

ho-urs, And dreamed of all the great things we would do? } Those Were The Days, my friend, We thought they'd  
 tav-ern, We'd smile at one an-oth-er and we'd say: }

Dm G G7 C Dm

nev-er end, We'd sing and dance for-ev-er and a day; We'd live the life we choose.

Am E7 Am

We'd fight and nev-er lose, For we are young and sure to have our way. La la la

A7 Dm E7 Am

la la la la la la la la, Those Were The Days. Oh Yes, Those Were The Days

**VERSE 3**

Just tonight I stood before the tavern,  
 Nothing seemed the way it used to be.  
 In the glass I saw a strange reflection.  
 Was that lonely fellow really me?  
 (Chorus)

**VERSE 4**

Through the door there came familiar laughter,  
 I saw your face and heard you call my name.  
 Oh, my friend, we're older but no wiser,  
 For in our hearts the dreams are still the same.  
 (Chorus)