

Little Birdie

after Morgan Sexton

Tab by Jack Beuthin
Key of C

intro

T | | | T | | | | | T | | | | | T | | | | |

vocal backup

5

Once | was..... | a | little | bitty | boy, | T

bridge

9

playing a - round in the sand, | T | T | | | T | | | | | T | | | | |

vocal backup

13

Now | am..... | a | great | big

bridge

17

boy, | and | made my - self | a | man. | T | | | | | T | | | | |

21 Po

I I T I I T I I I I I I I T I T I

25

T I T T T I T I T I T I T I I T T T I T I T T

29 Po H Po

T I T I T T I T T T I T T T I T I T T I

33 H Po H bridge Po

T I T I I T T I T I I I I I I T I I I I I T

37 Po Po vocal backup

I I I I T I I I I T I I I I I T

Little bir - die.....

41

Little bir - die, T Where you been so long?

bridge vocal backup

45

Po Po Po I have

49

had..... no lov - ing T si - ince you've been

bridge

53

gone.

vocal backup

57

I wish I was..... in Tenn - es - see,

61 bridge

T I T I | I I | I T | I I | I I | I T | I I | I I | I T
sit - tin' on a rail,

65 vocal backup

I I I I | I I I I | I T | I I | I I | I T | I T | I T | I T
Arms a - round..... my true love's

69 outro

T I T I | T I T I | T I T I | T I T I | T I T I | T I T I | T I T I | T I T I
neck, and a pos - som on a rail.

73

T I T I | T I T I | T I T I | T I T I | I I | I I

A video of me playing this rendition is posted on my YouTube channel: <https://youtu.be/ki6YvUXEWmo>

A downward pointing arrow in the tab Indicates that the note below is played with a downstroke of the index finger.

This tab is based on the rendition of Little Birdie played by Morgan Sexton on the Rock Dust and Shady Grove albums (June Appl Recordings).

All the verses (only three shown in the tab):

Once I was a little bitty boy, playing around in the sand
Now I am a great big boy, and made myself a man

Little birdie, little birdie, where you been so long?
I have had no loving, since you've been gone

Little birdie, little birdie, what makes you fly so high?
My true love, she left me, and lives up in the sky

Little birdie, little birdie, what makes your wings so blue?
I've gone around this wide world, and I love no one but you

Little birdie, little birdie, come sing to me your song
"Be a short time to be with you, and a long time to be gone

Single girl, single girl, go a' strolling by
"Married girl, married girl, rock the cradle and cry

I wish I was in Tennessee, sitting on a rail
Arms around my true love's neck, and a possum on a tail