

Performance Notes for St. James Infirmary. - January 19, 2021 for BUO
Inspiration: 1) James Hill. and 2) Hugh Laurie, watch them on YouTube

Chord Pattern Throughout: Em B7 Em C6 B7 Em B7 Em C6 B7

First note: B.

Metronome: 69. - I'm Not Kidding - A nice, slow walkin' pace

This is a great number for soloists, duos at various gigs

In between the verses, there are two measure interludes, for singers to sing,

A A B

Oh NO - O (x2) while chorders continue with Em B7 (x2) in the 2 measures

Intro: Charley plays a Blues Intro - (if needed for volume, Brian and Helen can Strum along, Em B7 Em (2 x).)

Pommie, Evelyn, Carla and Katrina sing Verses 1 and 2:

Verse 1: I went down to St. James Infirmary
To see my baby there
She was lyin' on a long white table
So sweet, so cool, so fair.

Verse 2: Went up to see the doctor
"She's very low," he said
Went back to see my baby
Good God! She's lyin' there dead.

Charley plays Interlude instrumental verse and Brian and Helen back up chords

Suzanne, Wendy, Judy, and Carla sing Verses 3 and 4

Verse 3: I went down to Old Joe's Barroom.
On the corner by the square
The usual crowd was assembled
And Big Joe McKenney was there.

Verse 4: He was standing at my shoulder
His eyes were bloodshot red
He looked at the crowd around him
And-these-are the very-words he said.

Chorus: (All sing). "Let her go, Let her go, God bless her
Wherever she may be
She may search this wide world over
And-never-find a sweet man like me". (X2)

Brian, CJ, Helen, and Marc sing Verses 5 and 6

Verse 5: Oh, **when I die**, Please bury me
In my ten dollar Stetson hat
Put a **gold piece** On my watch chain
So- my- friends'll- know -I- died -standin' pat. Oh No-O, Oh No-O

Verse 6: Get six gamblers to carry my coffin
Six chorus girls to sing me a song
Put a twenty-piece jazz band on my tail gate
To raise Hell as we go along. Oh No-O, Oh No-O

All Sing Verse 7 and last Chorus unless Judy and CJ want to do it by themselves

Verse 7: Now that's the end of my story
Let's have another round of booze
And if anyone should ask you just tell them
I've got the St. James Infirmary blues.

Chorus: (ALL SING) "Let her go, Let her go, God bless her
Wherever she may be
She may search this wide world over
And-never-find a sweet man like me". (X2). **Ritardo, the last
line, last time, arpeggiate the last chord.**