

# Sweet Baby James - James Taylor (3/4 timing)

**D A G F#m**  
1. There is a young cowboy he lives on the range,  
**Bm G D F#m**  
His horse and his cattle are his only companion.  
**Bm G D F#m**  
He works in the saddle and he sleeps in the canyon,  
**G D A A7**  
Waiting for summer, his pastures to change.  
**G A D**  
And as the moon rises he sits by his fire,  
**Bm G D A**  
Thinkin' about women and glasses of beer,  
**G A D**  
Closing his eyes as the dogies retire,  
**Bm G D A**  
He sings out a song which is soft, but it's clear,  
**E7 A - A7**  
As if maybe someone could hear.

## CHORUS:

**D G A D**  
*Goodnight you moonlight ladies,*  
**Bm G D**  
*Rock-a-bye sweet baby James.*  
**Bm G D**  
*Deep greens and blues are the colours I choose,*  
**E7 A - A7**  
*Won't you let me go down in my dreams ?*  
**G A D**  
*And rock-a-bye sweet baby James.*

**D A G F#m**  
2. Now the first of December was covered with snow,  
**Bm G D F#m**  
And so was the turnpike from Stockridge to Boston.  
**Bm G D F#m**  
Lord, the Berkshires seemed dreamlike on account of that frosting,  
**G D A A7**  
With ten miles behind me and ten thousand more to go.  
**G A D**  
There's a song that they sing when they take to the highway,  
**Bm G D A**  
A song that they sing when they take to the sea,  
**G A D**  
A song that they sing of they're home in the sky,  
**Bm G D A**  
Maybe you can believe, it if it helps you to sleep,  
**E7 A - A7**  
But singing works just fine for me.

**G A D**  
**CHORUS +** *And rock-a-bye sweet baby James.*