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# Mister Bojangles (Jerry Jeff Walker)

(capo on fret 7 to match Jerry Jeff Walker recording)

I (**G**)knew a man, Bo-(**Bm**)jan-gles and (**Em**)danced for you,  
(**C**) in worn-out (**D**)shoes.

With (**G**)sil-ver hair, a (**Bm**)rag-ged shirt and (**Em**)bag-gy pants,  
(**C**) the old soft (**D**)shoe.

(**C**) He jumped so (**Bm**)high, (**B**) jumped so (**Em**)high,  
(**A**) then he light-ly touched (**D**)down? **DDD DDD DDD**

(**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles, (**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles,  
(**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles, (**G**)dance. **GGG GGG GGG**

I met him in a (**Bm**)cell in New Or-(**Em**)leans

(**C**) I was, down and (**D**)out.

He (**G**)looked to me to (**Bm**)be the eyes of (**Em**)age  
as he (**C**) spoke right (**D**)out.

(**C**) He talked of (**Bm**)life, (**B**) talked of (**Em**)life,  
(**A**) he laughed, slapped his leg and (**D**)stepped **DDD DDD DDD**

~~(**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles, (**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles,~~  
~~(**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles, (**G**)dance.~~

He (**G**)said his name, "Bo-(**Bm**)jan-gles," then he (**Em**)danced a lick  
(**C**) a-cross the (**D**)cell.

He (**G**)grabbed his pants a (**Bm**)bet-ter stance, oh, he (**Em**)jumped up high,  
(**C**) he clicked his (**D**)heels.

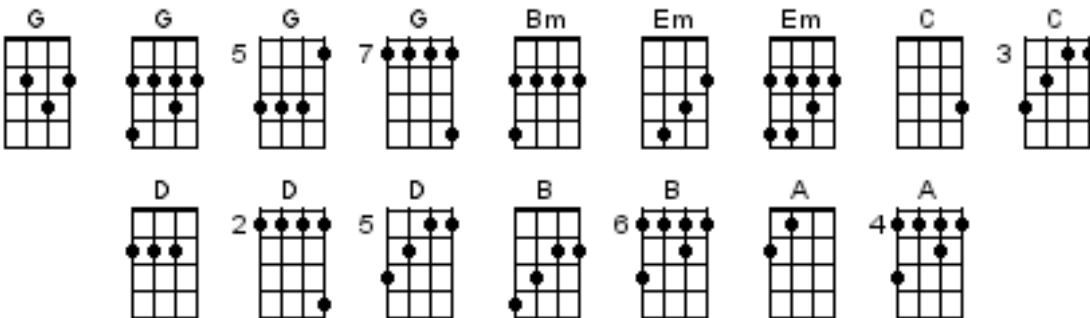
(**C**) He let go a (**Bm**)laugh, (**B**) let go a (**Em**)laugh,  
(**A**) shook back his clothes all a-(**D**)round. **DDD DDD DDD**

~~(**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles, (**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles,~~  
~~(**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles, (**G**)dance.~~

**G**  
He danced for those at (**Bm**)min-strel shows and (**Em**)coun-ty fairs  
(**C**) through-out the (**D**)south.

He (**G**)spoke with tears of (**Bm**)fif-teen years how his (**Em**)dog and he  
(**C**) travelled all a-(**D**)bout.

(**C**) His dog up and (**Bm**)died, (**B**) he up and (**Em**)died.  
(**A**) af-ter twen-ty years, he still (**D**)grieves. **DDD DDD DDD**



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He (**G**)said, "I dance now at (**Bm**)ev-'ry chance in (**Em**)hon-ky tonks  
(**C**) for drinks and (**D**)tips.

But (**G**)most of the time I (**Bm**)spend be-hind these (**Em**)coun-ty bars  
(**C**) 'cause I drinks a (**D**)bit."

(**C**) He shook his (**Bm**)head (**B**) and as he shook his (**Em**)head,

(**A**) I heard some-one ask, "(**D**)Please... **Please**

(**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles, (**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles,

(**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles, (**G**)dance. **GGG GGG G**

~~(**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles, (**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles,~~

~~(**Em**) Mis-ter Bo-(**D**)jan-gles, (**G**)dance."~~

