

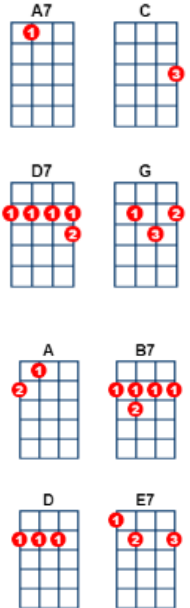


"Forty Shades of Green" is a song about [Ireland](#), written and first performed by American country singer [Johnny Cash](#). Cash wrote the song in 1959 while on a trip to Ireland. <https://youtu.be/Qjxtq6JhWHo>

Forty Shades of Green - Johnny Cash - 1959

[C] [G] D7] <G>

I [G] close my eyes and picture, the [C] emerald of the sea
From the [C] fishing boats at [G] Dingle,
To the [A7] shores of Duna' [D7] dee
I [G] miss the river Shannon, and the [C] folks at Skibbereen
The [C] moorlands and the [G] meadows,
With their [D7] forty shades of [G] green



But [C] most of all I [D7] miss a girl, in [G] Tipperary Town
And [C] most of all I [D7] miss her lips, as [G] soft as eider-
[D7]down

A-[G]gain I want to see and do, the [C] things we've done and seen
Where the [C] breeze is sweet as [G] Shalimar
And there's [D7] forty shades of [G] green
[E7]

I [A] wish that I could spend an hour, at [D] Dublin's churning surf
I'd love to watch the [A] farmers, drain the [B7] bogs and spade
the [E7] turf
To [A] see again the thatching, of the [D] straw the women glean
I'd [D] walk from Cork to [A] Larne, to see the [E7] forty shades of
[A]green

But [D] most of all I [E7] miss a girl in [A] Tipperary Town
And [D] most of all I [E7] miss her lips, as [A] soft as eider-
[E7]down

[A] Again I want to see and do, the [D] things we've done and seen
Where the [D] breeze is sweet as [A] Shalimar
And there's [E7] forty shades of [A] green

Slow Where the [D] breeze is sweet as [A] Shalimar
And there's [E7] forty shades of <A> green