Those were the days

Artiste: Mary Hopkin -1968
(Words:Gene Raskin Music: From a Russian romantic song by Boris Fomin)

Tempo: 4/4 ~100 bpm Voice starts on G. Verse: lyrical, Chorus: Joyful, Bouncy.

Intro: **Gm Cm D7 Gm**

(1)

Gm
Once upon a time, there was a tavern,
G7   **Cm**
Where we used to raise a glass or two.
                                 Gm
Remember how we laughed away the hours,
A7   **D7**
Think of all the great things we would do

Chorus:_____*(Repeat after each verse)*_____

                    Gm
Those were the days, my friend
                    Cm
We thought they'd never end
                         F   **F7**   **Bb**
We'd sing and dance forever and a day
                 Cm
We'd live the life we'd choose
                    Gm
We'd fight and never lose
                    D7   **Gm**
For we were young and sure to have our way

D7   **Gm**
La La La La La La La La La
Cm
La La La La La La
D7   **Gm** ~~~
La La La La La La La ~~~

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(2)
Gm
Then, the busy years went rushing by us
        G7   **Cm**
We lost our starry notions on the way
                                           Gm
If, by chance, I'd see you in the tavern,
        A7   **D7**
We'd smile at one another and we'd say:

(3)
Gm
Just tonight, I stood before the tavern
G7   **Cm**
Nothing seemed the way it used to be
                                                            Gm
In the glass, I saw a strange reflection
A7   **D7**
Was that lonely fellow really me?

(4)
Gm
Through the door, there came familiar laughter
G7   **Cm**
I saw your face and heard you call my name
                                                            Gm
Oh, my friend, we're older but no wiser
       A7   **D7**
For in our hearts, the dreams are still the same

Final Chorus:
                           Gm
Those were the days, my friend
                        Cm
We thought they'd never end
                        F   **F7**   **Bb**
We'd sing and dance forever and a day
                     Cm
We'd live the life we'd choose
                        Gm
We'd fight and never lose
                        D7   **Gm**
For we were young and sure to have our way

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D7   **Gm**
La La La La La La La La La
Cm
La La La La La La
D7   **Gm** ~~~
La La La La La La La ~~~

Repeat from **§** to end.