

## Island in the Sun (Harry Belafonte)

Intro: (hum) C F G7 C

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This is my island in the sun where my people have toiled since time begun,

Am Dm C G7 C

I may sail on many a sea, her shores will always be home to me.

*Chorus:*

C Dm G7 C

Oh island in the sun willed to me by my father's hand,

Am F G7 C

All my days I will sing in praise of your forest, waters your shining sands.

C F G7 C

As morning breaks the heaven on high I lift my heavy load to the sky,

C Dm C G7 C

Sun comes down with a burning glow, mingles my sweat with the earth below.

*Chorus*

C F G7 C

I see woman on bended knee, cutting cane for her family;

Am Dm C G7 C

I see man at the water side, casting nets at the surging tide.

*Chorus*

C F G7 C

I hope the day will never come that I can't awake to the sound of drum;

Am Dm C G7 C

Never let me miss carnival, with calypso songs philosophical.

*Chorus X2*

(hum) C F G7 C