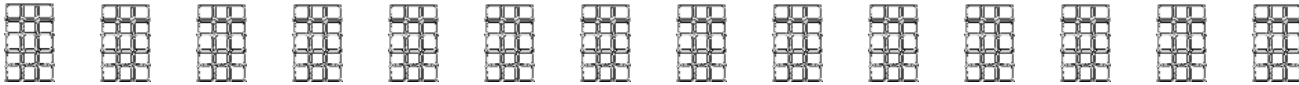


SURFIN' USA

Key of C Major

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C G⁷ (ooooooooo)

IF EV'RYBODY HAD AN OCEAN

C (ooooooooo)

ACROSS THE USA

G⁷ (ooooooooo)

THEN EV'RYBODY BE SURFIN'

C (ooooooooo)

LIKE CALIFORNI-A.

C⁷ F (ooooooooo)

YOU'D SEE 'EM WEARIN' THEIR BAGGIES,

C (ooooooooo)

HUARACHI SANDALS TOO.

G⁷ (oooooo) (oooo) C

A BUSHY, BUSHY BLOND HAIR-DO... SURFIN' U.S.A

C G⁷ (INSIDE, OUTSIDE, USA)

YOU 'LL CATCH 'EM SURFIN' AT DEL MAR . . .

C (INSIDE, OUTSIDE, USA)

VENTURA COUNTY LINE,

G⁷ (INSIDE, OUTSIDE, USA)

SANTA CRUZ AND TRESTLES

C (INSIDE,OUTSIDE, USA)

AUSTRALIA'S NARABEEN

C⁷ F (INSIDE,OUTSIDE, USA)

ALL OVER MANHATTAN

C (INSIDE,OUTSIDE, USA)

AND DOWN DOHENY WAY.

G⁷ C

EV'RYBODY'S GONE SURFIN'...SURFIN' U S A.

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C G⁷ (0000000000)
WE'LL ALL BE PLANNIN' OUT A ROUTE
C (0000000000)
WE'RE GONNA TAKE REAL SOON
G⁷ (0000000000)
WE'RE WAXIN' DOWN OUR SURFBOARDS
C (0000000000)
WE CAN'T WAIT FOR JUNE
C⁷ F (0000000000)
WE'LL BE GONE FOR THE SUMMER
C (0000000000)
WE'RE ON SAFARI TO STAY
G⁷ C
TELL THE TEACHER WE'RE SURFIN' ..SURFIN' U.S.A
>>> C G⁷ C G⁷ C C⁷ F C G⁷ C <<<
C G⁷ (INSIDE OUTSIDE USA)
HAGGARTY'S AND SWAMI'S ...
C (INSIDE OUTSIDE USA)
PACIFIC PALISADES
G⁷ (INSIDE OUTSIDE USA)
SAN ONOFRE'S AND SUNSET ...
C (INSIDE OUTSIDE USA)
REDONDO BEACH, LA.
C⁷ F (INSIDE OUTSIDE USA)
ALL OVER LA JOLLA ...
C (INSIDE OUTSIDE USA)
AT WAIMEA BAY.
G⁷ C
EV'RYBODY'S GONE SURFIN' . . . SURFIN' USA

(Tag Last Line Three Times)

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"Surfin' U.S.A." is the title of a song written by Brian Wilson for The Beach Boys, set to the melody from Chuck Berry's Sweet Little Sixteen. "Surfin' USA" was recorded by The Beach Boys released as a single on March 4, 1963 and it also appeared on the 1963 album of the same name. The B-side of the single is "Shut Down". The song features Mike Love on lead vocals.

At the time that the song was written, Brian Wilson was dating a girl named Judy Bowles. Her brother, Jimmy Bowles, was an avid surfer. Brian thought to himself "what about doing surf lyrics and mentioning every surf spot in the state? They're doing it here, there, in this city and that, like Chubby Checker's 'Twistin' U.S.A.'." According to Brian, "I asked [Jimmy] to make a list of every surf spot he knew, and by God he didn't leave one out."

In the song the following surfing spots are mentioned:

"Del Mar" - Del Mar, San Diego County, California

"Ventura County Line" - Ventura County, California

"Santa Cruz" - Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County, California

"Trestles" - San Onofre State Park, San Diego County, California

"Australia's Narrabeen" - Narrabeen, New South Wales, Australia

"Manhattan" - Manhattan Beach, Los Angeles County, California

"Doheny" - Doheny Beach, Dana Point, Orange County, California

"Haggerty's" - Haggerty's, Torrance, Los Angeles County, California

"Swami's" - Swami's Beach, Encinitas, San Diego County, California

"Pacific Palisades" - Pacific Palisades, Los Angeles County, California

"San Onofre" - San Onofre State Park, San Diego County, California

"Sunset" - Sunset Beach, Oahu, Hawaii (probably referring to Sunset Beach, CA)

"Redondo Beach" - Redondo Beach, Los Angeles County, California

"LA" - Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California

"La Jolla" - La Jolla, San Diego County, California

"Waimea Bay" - Waimea Bay, Hawaii