

I'd Rather Be a Lonesome Pine - Blue Highway

Bluegrass Contemporary, $\frac{2}{4}$ Time, Key of **E** My Key: ____

I'd **1** rather be, a fox with the hunters on his trail
I'd **1** rather be, an old dog left to **7^b** stray
I'd **1** rather have, no one, to come home to
Than to **1** live in **7^b** love, hurtin' day after **1** day

CHORUS:

I'd **1** rather be, a lonesome pine, a-way out on the ridge,
1 All alone, blowin' in the wind and **4** rain
I'd **1** rather, be, a homeless man
Sleepin' **1** underneath the railroad bridge,
Than to love, a **7^b** woman
Who **5** only brings you **1** pain

INSTRUMENTAL: **1** , **1** , **1** , **1** , **1** , **1** , **1** , **4** , **4**
1 , **1** , **1** , **1** , **1** , **1** **7^b**
7^b , **5** , **1** , **1** (3 beats on **7^b**)

The **1** farmer offers life and labor to the land
With a **1** gentle hand he tends the fertile **7^b** ground
1 . And in the golden fields at harvest time
I **1** offered **7^b** you my heart but you turned me **1** down

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OUTRO: **7^b** , **7^b** , **5** , **1** , **1**

1 = E
4 = A
5 = B
7 ^b = D