

# THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND – Woodie Guthrie **Key D (C)**

CHORUS:

**D(C)**            **G(F)**                            **D(C)**  
This land is your land, this land is my land,  
          **A7(G7)**                                    **D(C)**  
From California to the New York island,  
                                  **G(F)**    **D(C)**  
From the Redwood Forests to the Gulf stream waters,  
**A7(G7)**    **D(C)**    **G(F)**    **D(C)**  
This land was made for you and me.

As I was walking that ribbon of highway,  
I saw above me the endless skyway.  
I saw below me the golden valley.  
This land was made for you and me.

CHORUS:

I roamed and rambled and followed my footsteps  
to the sparkling sands of her diamond deserts.  
And all around me this voice kept saying:  
This land was made for you and me.

CHORUS:

As the sun was shining and I was strolling  
thru the wheat fields waving and the dust clouds rolling,  
A voice was sounding, the dust was lifting.  
This land was made for you and me.

CHORUS:

This land was made for you and me

Per Wikipedia, the lyrics were written by American folk singer Woody Guthrie in 1940, based on an existing melody, a Carter Family tune called "When the World's on Fire." When Guthrie was tired of hearing Kate Smith sing "God Bless America" on the radio in the late 1930s, he sarcastically wrote "God Blessed America for Me" before renaming it "This Land Is Your Land."