

The Aba Daba Honeymoon

Words & Music by Arthur Fields & Walter Donovan, 1914

A^m
 Way down in the Congoland lived a happy chimpanzee
 G⁷ G[°] G⁷
 She loved a monkey with a long tail (Lordy, how she loved him!)
 A^m
 Each night he would find her there swinging in the coconut tree
 G⁷ G⁺
 And the monkey gay, at the break of day, loved to hear his Chimpie say:

C
 "Aba, daba, daba, daba, daba, daba dab,"

Said the Chimpie to the Monk.

"Baba, daba, daba, daba, daba, daba, dab,"
 G⁷

Said the Monkey to the Chimp.

All night long they'd chatter away,
 C
 All day long they were happy and gay,
 D⁷ G⁷ G⁺
 Swinging and singing in their honky, tonky way.
 C
 "Aba, daba, daba, daba, daba, daba, dab,"

Means, "Monk, I love but you."
 E⁷
 "Baba, daba, dab," in monkey talk

A^m C⁷
 Means, "Chimp, I love you too."
 F F^m

Then the big baboon one night in June,
 C A⁷
 He married them and very soon
 D⁷ G⁷ C
 They went upon their aba, daba honeymoon.

A^m
 Well, you should have heard that band plying on their wedding day.
 G⁷ G[°] G⁷
 Each Chimp and Monkey had nutshells, Lordy, how they played them;
 A^m
 And now it is ev'ry night, high up in the coconut tree,
 G⁷ G⁺

It's the same old thing, with the same old swing, when the Monk and Chimpie sing:

Soprano Baritone

