

Kentucky Babe

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Tuning: D/F#/A
Softly

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D Bm D Bm D

1. Skeeters am a - hum - min' on de hon - ey - suck - le vine, sleep, Kentuck - y
2. Dad - dy's in de cane - break wid his lit - tle dog and gun, Sleep, Kentuck - y

4 A7 G C#dim G G C#dim

Babe. Sand - man am a - com - in' to dis lit - tle coon of mine,
Babe! Pos - sum fo' yo' break - fast when yo' sleep - in' time is done,

7 G A7 D D C#dim

sleep, Ken - tuck - y Babe. Sil' - vry moon am shin - in' in de
Sleep, Ken - tuck - y Babel! Bo - gie man - 'll ketch yo' sure, un -

10 Bm D D D DM7 Bm D

heab - ens up a - bove, Bob - o' - link am pin - in' for his lit - tle la - dy love.
less yo' close yo' eyes, Wait - in' jes' out - side de do' to take yo' by sur - prise,

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13 D D Gm D D Gm D A7

You is might-y luck-y, Babe of old Ken-tuck-y, close yo' eyes and sleep, —
 Bes' be keep-in' sha-dy, lit - tle col-ored la-dy, Close yo' eyes in sleep.

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17 D D D Bm Bm D Bm A7

Chorus: Fly a - way, Fly a-way Kentuck-y Babe, fly a-way to rest, Fly a -

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22 C#dim G C#dim C#dim G G D D Gm

way, Lay yo' kin-ky wool-ly head on yo' mam-my's breast. Hm - mm -

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26 D Gm E E A7 D

mm - mm, Hm - mm - mm - mm. Close yo' eyes in sleep. —

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