

A NIGHTINGALE SANG IN BERKELEY SQUARE

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verse

C Dm7 Dm7b5 C G7 C
When true lovers meet in Mayfair, so the legends tell
Dm7 G9 C Gdim F6 G7 C
Song birds sing, winter turns to spring
C Dm7 Dm7b5 C Bm7b5 E7 Am
Every winding street in Mayfair falls be - neath the spell
Bbdim7 G Em7 Am7b5
I know such en - chantment can be
 Am7 D9 G7
'Cause it happened one evening to me

chorus 1

C Am Em C7
That certain night, the night we met
 F E7 Am Fm6
There was magic a - broad in the air
 C G7 C7 Dm7b5
There were angels dining at the Ritz
 C Am Dm7 G7 C Am Dm7 G7
And a nightingale sang in Berk'ley Square
C Am Em C7
I may be right, I may be wrong
 F E7 Am Fm6
But I'm perfectly willing to swear
 C G7 C7 Fm6
That when you turned and smiled at me
 C Am Dm7 G7 C Fm7b5 B7
A nightingale sang in Berk'ley Square
E C#m7 F#m7 B7
The moon that lingered over London town
 G#m7 Gdim F#m7 B7
Poor puzzled moon, he wore a frown
E C#m7 F#m7 B7
How could he know we two were so in love?
 G#m7 C#dim Dm7 G7
The whole darn world seemed upside down
 C Am Em C7
The streets of town were paved with stars

F E7 Am Fm6
 It was such a ro - mantic af - fair
 C G7 C7 Dm7b5
 And as we kissed and said "good - night"
 C Am Dm7 G7 C Am Dm7 G7
 A nightingale sang in Berk'ley Square

chorus 2

C Am Em C7
 How strange it was, how sweet and strange
 F E7 Am Fm6
 There was never a dream to com - pare
 C G7 C7 Dm7b5
 With that hazy, crazy night we met
 C Am Dm7 G7 C Am Dm7 G7
 When a nightingale sang in Berk'ley Square
 C Am Em C7
 This heart of mine beat loud and fast
 F E7 Am Fm6
 Like a merry go round in a fair
 C G7 C7 Fm6
 For we were dancing cheek to cheek
 C Am Dm7 G7 C Fm7b5 B7
 And a nightingale sang in Berk'ley Square
 E C#m7 F#m7 B7
 When dawn came stealing up all gold and blue
 G#m7 Gdim F#m7 B7
 To inter - rupt our rendez - vous
 E C#m7 F#m7 B7
 I still re - member how you smiled and said
 G#m7 C#dim Dm7 G7
 "Was that a dream or was it true?"
 C Am Em C7
 Our homeward step was just as light
 F E7 Am Fm6 C G7 C7 Dm7b5
 as the tap dancing feet of As-taire and like an echo far a - way
 C Am Dm7 G7 C Am
 A nightingale sang in Berk'ley Square
 Dm7 G7 Gm6 A7 Dm7b5 F G7 C Am Fm6 C
 I know 'cause I was there, that night in Berk'ley Square