

Alison

Words & Music:

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Doug Young has a fingerstyle instrumental arrangement of this in Drop D & the key of G in the June 2007 issue of Acoustic Guitar. It is gorgeous and instructive for when you later play song with the words.

Esus4 E | C#m D F#m E | Bm C#m | C#m E

Oh, it's so funny to be seein' ya after so long, girl.

And with the way you look I understand that you are not impressed.

But I heard you let that little friend of mine

Take off your party dress.

I'm not gonna get too sentimental like those

Other sticky valentines.

'Cause I don't know if you were lovin' somebody

I only know it isn't mine.

Alison, I know this world is killing you.

Oh, Alison, my aim is true.

Well, I see you got a husband, now.

Did he leave your pretty fingers lyin' in the weddin' cake?

You used to hold him right in your hand, but it took all he could take.

Sometimes, I wish I could stop you from talking when I

Hear the silly things that you say.

I think somebody better put out the big light

'cause I can't stand to see you this way.

Alison, I know this world is killing you. Oh, Alison, my aim is true,

My aim is true---, My aim is true...