## Waterloo Sunset

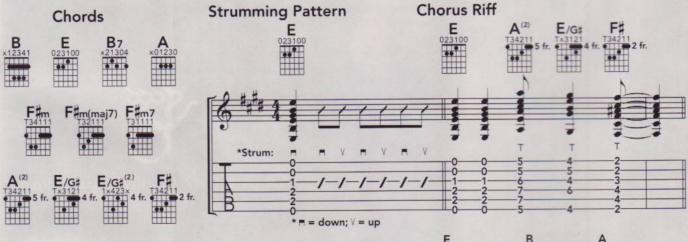
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Despite releasing 1967's Something Else by the Kinks during a low point in their career, the Kinks loaded the record with enough good songs that it has endured as one of their best efforts. "Waterloo Sunset," the final track on the album, reached No. 2 on the UK singles charts, but a 1965 dispute between the Kinks and the American Federation of Musicians-which prevented the band from touring in the United

States for four years—may have helped keep the track from reaching US airwaves. Try the strumming pattern below throughout the song, and follow the "chorus riff" section over the "Sha la las" in the chorus. If you find thumb-fretting barre chords difficult, try barring the A and F# chords with your index finger. For the E/G# chord you can try the alternate chord chart (shown in the music as E/G‡(2)), but a standard E chord will work fine here, as well.

Ray Davies adds a few embellishments, including a few Asus2 strums during the A chord, and a quick B7 chord at the end of each chorus just before heading to the top of the next verse. To emulate the A/C sound on the recording (produced by the bass playing C\*), you can barre the A chord with your index finger and reach down for a C\$ bass note on the fourth fret of the fifth string. -ANDREW DUBROCK



2. Terry meets Julie, Waterloo station every Friday night

But I am so lazy, don't want to wander, I stay at home at night

F#m F#m(maj7) F#m7 B7 But I don't feel afraid

As long as I gaze on Waterloo sunset, I am in paradise

Repeat Chorus

Millions of people swarming like flies round Waterloo underground

But Terry and Julie cross over the river where they feel

safe and sound

F#m F#m(maj7) F#m7 And they don't need no friends

As long as they gaze on Waterloo sunset, they are in paradise

E B7 A B Waterloo sunset's fine

Intro B

B7

Dirty old river, must you keep rolling, flowing into the night

People so busy, make me feel dizzy, taxi light shines so bright

F#m F#m(maj7) F#m7 But I don't need no friend

As long as I gaze on Waterloo sunset, I am in paradise

Chorus

A(2) E/G# F# (Sha la la) Every day I look at the world from my window

(Sha la la) But chilly, chilly is the evening time

Waterloo sunset's fine