

# Spoonful

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*Why, yes, it is a bone-simple, one-chord song. Oh, and by the way, this is a different song than "Spoonful Blues" by Charley Patton. The Howlin' Wolf version of this is fully transcribed in the June 2006 issue of Guitar One. A great discussion of the Eric Clapton Cream cover (and how to play it) is on the "Slowhand Blues Guitar site ([www.12bar.de/solocream.php](http://www.12bar.de/solocream.php)). It is just a basic shuffle blues in E (Cream plays it in Em, Howlin' Wolf in E7).*

E

It could be a spoonful of diamonds,  
Could be a spoonful of gold.  
Just a little spoon of your precious love  
Satisfy my soul  
A man lies about little.  
Some of them cries about a little;  
Some of them dies about a little.  
Everything fight about a spoonful,  
That spoon, that spoon, that spoonful.

It could be a spoonful of coffee,  
Could be a spoonful of tea.  
But a little spoon of your precious love  
Good enough for me.  
Men lies about that.  
Some of them dies about that;  
Some of them cries about that.  
But everything fight about a spoonful,  
That spoon, that spoon, that...

INSTRUMENTAL VERSE:

It could be a spoonful of water  
Saved me from the desert sand.  
But one spoon of little .45  
Saved you from another man.  
Men lies about that.  
Some of them cries about that;  
Some of them dies about that.  
Everybody fightin' about a spoonful.  
That spoon, that spoon, that...