

CIGAR BOX GUITAR TABLATURE

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Folsom Prison Blues

Arranged for 3-string fretted cigar box guitar tuned to Open G GDG.

When it comes to Johnny Cash songs, this one is definitely in the top four most popular, along with A Boy Named Sue, I Walk the Line and Ring of Fire. In many ways, it became the Man in Black's signature song. It's a great blend of blues and country elements, and a popular one at jam sessions and campfire pickin' fests.

We have included the words from the song's first verse and chorus to help you match up the tablature to the words/rhythm of the song.

G

G	0	4	4	5	7	0	0	0	4	4	5	7	0
D	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

-----INTRODUCTION----- I hear that train a comin' it's rollin' round the bend

	0	4	4	5	7	7	0	0	4	4	2	4	4	2	0	0	0	2	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	2	2	0	2	2	0	2	2
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5

And I ain't heard the sunshine since I don't know when, I'm stuck in Fol - som Prison,

	4	2	0	4	0	0	0	2	2	0	2	7	7	7	7	7	5	4	2	0
	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	7	7	7	7	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	7	7	7	0	0	0	0	0

And time keeps draggin on, but that train keeps a' rollin', on down to S-a-n A - n-tone

Words and Music by Johnny Cash (1955) – Arrangement by Ben Baker – C. B. Gitty Crafter Supply

For more information about the Open G GDG tuning, [check out this article](#) in the cigar box guitar knowledgebase at CigarBoxGuitar.com. We also have a video by Glenn Watt on how to read and play 3-string tablature like this – [you can view it here on CigarBoxGuitar.com](#).

