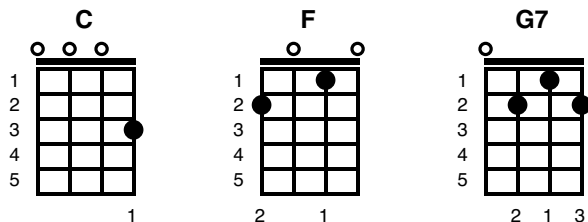


Whale of a Tale

Key of C



Chorus:

C F C
Got a whale of a tale to tell ya, lads
G7
A whale of a tale or two
C F G7
'Bout the flappin' fish and the girls I've loved
C G7 C G7
On nights like this with the moon above
C G7 C G7
A whale of a tale and it's all true
C G7 C C
I swear by my tattoo

Verse 1:

F C Tacet
There was Mermaid Minnie, met her down in Madagascar
F C Tacet
She would kiss me, any time that I would ask her
F C G7
Then one evening, her flame of love blew out
C G7 C G7
Blow me down and pick me up!
C G7 C
She swapped me for a trout.

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Verse 2:

F C Tacet
 There was Typhoon Tessie, met her on the coast of Java
F C Tacet
 When we kissed I, bubbled up like molten lava
F C G7
 Then she gave me the scare of my young life
C G7 C G7
 Blow me down and pick me up!
C G7 C
 She was the captain's wife.

Chorus:

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