

Puff the Magic Dragon

(Words by Peter Lipton, Music by Peter Yarrow, 1959*)

4/4 time; Starting Note: G

(*first recorded in 1962, released in 1963)

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I 1 | **G** | **Bm** | **C** | **G** | **C** | **G Em** | **A⁷ D⁷** | **G D⁷** |

V1

[G] Puff, the magic **[Bm]** dragon
[C] Lived by the **[G]** sea,
 And **[C]** frolicked in the **[G]** autumn **[Em]** mist
 In a **[A⁷]** land called Hona - **[D⁷]** lee.

[G] Little Jackie **[Bm]** Paper
[C] Loved that rascal **[G]** Puff,
 And **[C]** brought him strings and **[G]** sealing **[Em]** wax
 And **[A⁷]** other **[D⁷]** fancy **[G]** stuff. **[D⁷]** Oh!

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 And **[C]** frolicked in the **[G]** autumn **[Em]** mist
 In a **[A⁷]** land called **[D⁷]** Hona - **[G]** lee. **[D⁷]**

(Last 4 lines of chorus)

harmony

V2

To- **[G]** gether they would **[Bm]** travel
 On a **[C]** boat with billowed **[G]** sail.
[C] Jackie kept a **[G]** lookout **[Em]** perched
 On **[A⁷]** Puff's gigantic **[D⁷]** tail.

[G] Noble kings and **[Bm]** princes
 Would **[C]** bow when'er they **[G]** came.
[C] Pirate ships would **[G]** lower their **[Em]** flags
 When **[A⁷]** Puff roared **[D⁷]** out his **[G]** name. **[D⁷]** Oh!

C2

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 In a **[A⁷]** land called **[D⁷]** Hona - **[G]** lee. **[D⁷]**

harmony

GCEA

Diagram showing six guitar chord shapes for GCEA tuning: A7, Bm, C, D7, Em, and G.

GCEA - alt. barre chords

Diagram showing six guitar chord shapes for GCEA tuning with alternative barre chords: A7, Bm, C, D7, Em, and G.

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A [G] dragon lives for - [Bm] ever
 But [C] not so little [G] boys.
 [C] Painted wings and [G] giant [Em] rings
 Make [A7] way for other [D7] toys.

V3

[G] One gray night it [Bm] happened,
 Jackie [C] Paper came no [G] more.
 And [C] Puff that mighty [G] dragon, [Em]
 He [A7] ceased his [D7] fearless [G] roar. [D7]

V4

His [G] head was bent in [Bm] sorrow,
 [C] Green scales fell like [G] rain.
 [C] Puff no longer [G] went to [Em] play
 A - [A7] long the cherry [D7] lane.

With - [G] out his life-long [Bm] friend,
 [C] Puff could not be [G] brave,
 So [C] Puff that mighty [G] dragon [Em] sadly
 [A7] Slipped in - [D7] to his [G] cave. [D7] Oh!

Add "oooh"
 harmony

[G Sg1] Puff, the magic dragon
 Lived by the sea,
 And frolicked in the autumn mist
 In a land called Honalee.

C3

acappella
 chorus with
 harmony

Puff, the magic dragon
 Lived by the sea,
 And frolicked in the autumn mist
 In a land called Honalee. [D7] Oh!

C4

harmony

[G] Puff, the magic [Bm] dragon
 [C] Lived by the [G] sea,
 And [C] frolicked in the [G] autumn [Em] mist
 In a [A7] land called Hona - [D7] lee.

softer

[G] Puff, the magic [Bm] dragon
 [C] Lived by the [G] sea,
 And [C] frolicked in the [G] autumn [Em] mist
 In a [A7] land called [D7] Hon - a - [G] lee. [D7 Sg1] [G Sg1]
 (2) (2) (2) (2) (5) (1) (2)

Full volume

of beats ()

Bari

