

# RUBY, DON'T TAKE YOUR LOVE TO TOWN

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**BEAT** 1 2 & 3 & 4 & (emphasise first beat)  
D D U D U D U (down, down, up, etc)

**INTRO** Fast Vamp on G (Boom chukka rhythm)

## VERSE 1

Tacit D x4 Am x2  
You've painted up your lips and rolled and curled your tinted hair  
G C D x4  
Ruby are you contemplating going out somewhere?  
C D D x3 Am x2  
The shadow on the wall tells me the sun is going down  
G x2 C Em Am Am/ Tacit G x4  
Oh Ru...by,.....don't take your love to town.

## VERSE 2

Am G G x3  
It wasn't me that started that old crazy Asian war  
Am C D x4  
But I was proud to go and do my patriotic chore  
C D D x3 Am x2  
And yes, it's true that I'm not the man I used to be,  
G x4 C Em Am Am/ Tacit G x4  
Oh Ru...by, ..... I still need some company.

## VERSE 3

G C D x4 Am x2  
It's hard to love a man who's legs are bent and paralysed  
G C D x4  
And the wants and the needs of a woman your age, Ruby I realise.  
C D D x3 Am x2  
And it won't be long I've heard them say until I'm not around.  
G x2 C Em Am Am/ Tacit G x4  
Oh Ru...by ..... don't take your love to town

## VERSE 4

(tapping the beat) (4 bars)  
She's leavin' now 'cause I just heard the slammin' of the door,  
(4 bars)  
The way I know I've heard it slam one hundred times before  
C D D x3 Am x2  
And if I could move I'd get my car and then I'd chase her down  
G x2 C Em Am Am/ Tacit G x4  
Oh Ru...by ..... don't take your love to town  
G x2 C Em Am Am/ tacit G x4 (fading)  
Oh Ru...by .....for god's sake turn around