

Pat The Budgie

Graham Townsend

Chord suggestions by Ian Bell

The musical score is written in 4/4 time and consists of four staves of music. Chord suggestions are placed above the notes. The first staff (measures 1-5) has chords C, F, Dm, G, C, G, C. The second staff (measures 6-10) has chords F, Dm, G, C (first ending), C (second ending), C7, F, Dm. The third staff (measures 11-15) has chords C, Am, Dm, G, C, C7, F, Dm, C, Am. The fourth staff (measures 16-20) has chords Dm, G, C (first ending), C7, C (second ending), C.

Composed by Graham Townsend (1942-1998) in about 1960. It's said to be named after a real budgie (named Pat) who used to perch on his bow. This is a very bare bones transcription. The tune has evolved a bit in the last 60 years and is quite popular in Canada and elsewhere at the time of writing. In Scotland it seems to have grown a third part.