

I KNOW NOW

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D Gsus4 G C G D (Dsus)
I grew up in Georgia with my three rosy maple birds
D Gsus4 G C G D (Dsus)
under sweet magnolia, with cotton and a cinnamon fern
C G C G
okra and collard greens, spoonfuls of black-eyed peas
B7 C G C G
polly made em for me...
Am7#5 D7
If only I had known it then, sweetness I might comprehend, like how the

D Gsus4 G
pawpaw makes the chalk maple grow
D Gsus4 G
painted buckeye makes my momma so
G add 4 C
'merican holly makes a Christmas fern
G add 4 C
butterfly weed makes sourwood burn
G C G
I know, now I know

D Gsus4 G C G D (Dsus)
Texas holds my heart near the Barbary and horses all out back
D Gsus4 G C G D (Dsus)
under corkscrew willows, I grew with the sage and skullcaps
C G C G
nettle tea and senna leaves I took fistfuls of redbud trees but there's
B7 C G C G
no fruit on that blind prickly pear, I found
Am7#5 D7
How could I have known it then, If only I had known it then, how the

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D Gsus4 G
rock roses make the trumpet vines grow
D Gsus4 G
ox-eyed daisies make my momma so
G add 4 C
mexican mint can make my gold
G add 4 C
live oak has a bluebonnet's hold
G C G
I know, now I know...

D Gsus4 G C G D (Dsus)
 I found my way around the world, tulips lead by lonely grape vines
 D Gsus4 G C G D (Dsus)
 landed here, where west unfurls, where mountains meet the bands of shore pines
 C G C G
 salmon and evergreens, honey and baleens
 B7 C G C G
 they tell me, I'm gonna make it someday

Am7#5 D7
 If only I had known it then, then maybe we could make amends.
 B7 Em/G
 but how could I have known it then? arid beauty was my friend
 C/G D7
 if only I had known it then, I might've seen you lean and bend like the

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 D Gsus4 G
 fireweed makes the cottonwood grow
 D Gsus4 G
 bitter cherry makes my momma so
 G add 4 C
 ocean sprays are known to go far
 G add 4 C
 bleeding hearts will the shoot the stars
 G C G
 I know, now I know