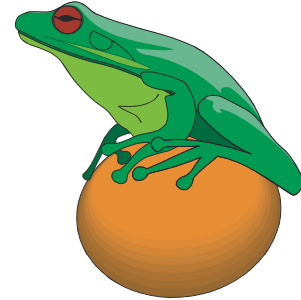


## THE COQUI SONG

**Chorus:** C  
They got the coconut in the coconut tree  
G  
They got the coqui sing in the dark (coqui!)  
and the children sell their naranjas  
C  
as they fly their kites in the park  
F  
Oh the people laughing and the people singing  
C Bm Am  
there's so much to do  
G  
the island sure is a paradise  
C  
'cause the island even got you.



I was just a young man trying to make my way  
as I sailed all around the world  
In search of the golden sunshine, and the love of a beautiful girl  
One day I came upon an island green  
surrounded by a sea of blue  
and there upon the golden sand my eyes first fell upon you.

Chorus

You grabbed my hand as we walked along  
and we strolled right into the square  
the people were starting carnival, there was music in the air  
so we danced and sang, as the sun went down  
and the moon lit up your face  
and you looked at me with your dark brown eyes and stole my heart away

Chorus

Ain't it the way, we don't appreciate  
the good things that come our way.  
One day I'm walking in paradise, the next I'm sailing away.  
But late at night I still think about my island of green  
and the coqui sings his sad, sad song as I hold you in my dreams.

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