

(Is this the way to) Amarillo - First released 1971: Tony Christie Re-issued 2005: Peter Kay/Tony Christie

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TENOR

Intro: Sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la, sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la, sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la,
Ba-ba-ba-ba-ba-ba-ba, ba-ba-ba-ba-ba-ba-ba-ba,
Da-da, ba-da-da, ba-da-da, ba-da-da

Verse 1 Ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da,
Ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da,
Ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da,
Ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da, ba-dah
Ev'ry lonely city, where I hang my hat
Ain't half as pretty as where my baby's at.

Chorus Is this the way to Amarillo,
Every night I've been huggin' my pillow,
Dreamin' dreams of Amarillo,
And sweet Marie who waits for me.
Show me the way to Amarillo,
I've been weeping like a willow.
Crying over Amarillo,
And sweet Marie who waits for me.

Sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la, sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la, sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la,
And sweet Marie who waits for me.

Verse 2 Ba-da, ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da
Ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da
Ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da,
Ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da, ba da-da, ba-da
Just beyond the highway there's an open plain,
And it keeps me going through the wind and rain.

Chorus Is this the way to Amarillo,
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Dreamin' dreams of Amarillo,
And sweet Marie who waits for me.
Show me the way to Amarillo,
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Crying over Amarillo,
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Sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la, (claps) sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la, (claps) sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la,
And sweet Marie who waits for me.

Key Change Sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la, (claps) sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la, (claps) sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la,
And sweet Marie who waits for me.
Sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la, (claps) sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la, (claps) sha-la-la-la-la-la-la-la,
And sweet Marie who waits for me – yeah!