

## Blow The Man Down Rev 2.18.21

Traditional Sea Shanty (as sung by Woody Guthrie)

3/4 time

Key of F

F

As I was a walking down Paradise Street

Dm C7

Way hey, blow the man down.

C7

A pretty young damsel I chanced for to meet.

C7

F

Give me some time to blow the man down.

F

She was round in the counter and bluff in the bow

Dm C7

Way hey, blow the man down

C7

So I took in all sail and cried "Way enough now!"

C7

F

Give me some time to blow the man down

F

I hailed her in English, she answered me clear

Dm C7

Way hey, blow the man down

C7

I'm from the Black Arrow, bound to the Shakespeare

C7

F

Give me some time to blow the man down

F

So I tailed her my flipper and took her in tow

Dm C7

Way hey, blow the man down

C7

And yardarm to yardarm, away we did go

C7

F

Give me some time to blow the man down

F

But as we were a-going she said unto me

Dm C7

Way hey, blow the man down

C7  
"There's a spankin' full rigger just ready for sea"  
C7 F  
Give me some time to blow the man down

F  
That spankin' full rigger to New York was bound  
Dm C7

Way hey, blow the man down  
C7  
She was very well mannered and very well found  
C7 F  
Give me some time to blow the man down

F  
But as soon as that packet was clear of the bar  
Dm C7  
Way hey, blow the man down  
C7  
The mate knocked me down with the end of a spar  
C7 F  
Give me some time to blow the man down

F  
As soon as that packet was out on the sea  
Dm C7  
Way hey, blow the man down  
C7  
'Twas devilish hard treatment of every degree  
C7 F  
Give me some time to blow the man down

F  
So I give you fair warning before we belay  
Dm C7  
Way hey, blow the man down  
C7  
Don't never take heed of what pretty girls say.  
C7 F  
Give me some time to blow the man down