

#74 THE UNICORN 4/4 Key of G
(Shel Silverstein)

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INTRO: INSTRUMENTAL G //// Am //// D7 //// G ////

G **Am**
A long time ago when the earth was green
D7 **G**
There was more kinds of animals than you'd ever seen
Am
They'd run around free while the world was being born
G **Am/ D7/ G/**
But the loveliest of all was the u- ni- corn

G **Am**
There was green alligators and long-necked geese
D7 **G**
Some humpty-back camels and some chimpanzees
Am
Some cats and rats and elephants, but sure as you're born
G **Am/ D7/ G**
The loveliest of all was the u- ni- corn

G **Am**
But the Lord seen some sinnin' and it caused him pain
D7 **G**
He said "Stand back—I'm gonna make it rain"
Am
He said "Hey, brother Noah, I'll tell you what to do
G **Am/ D7/ G/**
Build me a float- ing zoo."

G **Am**
Bring some 'a those green alligators and a couple of geese
D7 **G**
Two humpty-back camels and two chimpanzees
Am
Two cats, two rats, two elephants, but sure as you're born
G **Am/ D7/ G**
Don't you forget my u- ni- corn

G **Am**
Old Noah was there and he answered the callin'
D7 **G**
And he finished up the ark as the rain started fallin'
Am
He marched in the animals two by two
G **Am/ D7/ G/**
And he called out as they went through:

"Hey Lord, I got you green alligators and a couple of geese
 Some humpty-back camels and two chimpanzees
 Two cats, two rats, two elephants but Lord, I'm so forlorn
 I just don't see your u- ni- corn

Well, Noah looked out through the driving rain
 The unicorns were hiding, playing silly games
 They were kickin' and a-splashin' while the rain was pourin'
 Oh them silly u- ni- corns

There was green alligators and long-necked geese
 Some humpty-back camels and some chimpanzees
 Noah cried "close the door 'cause the rain is pourin'
 We just can't wait for no u- ni- corn

And then the ark started moving and it drifted with the tide
 The unicorns looked up from the rocks and cried
 And the water came up and sort of floated them away (*pause*)
 (*spoken*) And that's why you've never seen a unicorn, to this very day

But you'll see green alligators and a whole mess of geese
 You'll see humpty-back camels and chimpanzees
 You'll see cats and rats and elephants, but sure as you're born
 You're never gonna see no u..... ni..... corns."