

At Home in Nature's House

A Song for the National Parks

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Intro

The musical score is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of five systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The first system is an introduction. The second system begins at measure 4. The third system begins at measure 7. The fourth system begins at measure 10. The fifth system is labeled 'Verse' and begins at measure 13. Chord symbols are placed above the vocal line in each system. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

If you need a place to un - wind, Out a - way from ci - ty lights and
far from home you'll find A lodge that's free, don't need a key, the door is o - pen wide— you
on - ly have to go out - side: Take your pack up - on your back and
leave your cares be - hind, and make your - self at home in na - ture's house.
Verse
Pitch your tent and choose a mea - dow as a wel - come mat, Find a friend - ly pine tree with a

16 A7 D7 G A D G

branch to hang your hat, Light your lan-tern, sing a song, and pro-mise your-self that you'll

19 Am D7 G *Chorus* Am D7

make your-self at home in na-ture's house. Say a prayer be-neath the stars while

22 G Em C G C D

ly - ing on your back; Name the con - stell - a - tions in a field of vel - vet black;

25 G A D G Am D7

Bank the coals, un-roll your bed, and slip in-to the sack, and make your-self at home in na-ture's

28 G *Coda* Am D G

house, yes and make your - self at home in na - ture's house.

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Guitar ballad, fast strum, major key OR slow 4/4

Intro

If you need a place to unwind,
Out away from city lights and far from home you'll find
A lodge that's free, don't need a key, the door is open wide—
You only have to go outside:
Take your pack upon your back and leave your cares behind,
And make yourself at home in nature's house.

Verse 1

Pitch your tent and choose a meadow as a welcome mat,
Find a friendly pine tree with a branch to hang your hat,
Light your lantern, sing a song, and promise yourself that
You'll make yourself at home in nature's house.

Verse 2

Bring your armchair over here beside the campfire's glow
Wrap the sky around you, settle in and watch the show
Pour a cup of comfort, tell a tale of long ago
Make yourself at home in nature's house.

Chorus

*Say a prayer beneath the stars while lying on your back
Name the constellations in a field of velvet black
Bank the coals, unroll your bed, and slip into the sack
Make yourself at home in nature's house.*

Verse 3

Listen to the whisper of the breezes in the night
Wake and start the coffeepot before the morning light
Breathe the misty crystal air and know it feels just right
To make yourself at home in nature's house.

Chorus

*Say a prayer beneath the stars while lying on your back
Name the constellations in a field of velvet black
Bank the coals, unroll your bed, and slip into the sack
Make yourself at home in nature's house.*

Verse 4

Out away from city lights and far from home you'll find
A lodge that's free, don't need a key, the door is open wide—
Take your pack upon your back and leave your cares behind,
And make yourself at home in nature's house,
Yes and make yourself at home in nature's house.