

Scarlet Ribbons - Harry Belafonte

#1. (Capo 7th fret for original.)

D Em7 A7 D
I peeked in to say good night,
Em7 A7 Em7 D
and I heard my child in prayer.
D Em7 A7 D
'And for me, some scarlet ribbons,
Em7 A7 Em7 D
scarlet ribbons for my hair.'

#2.

D Em7 A7 D
All the stores were closed and shuttered,
Em7 A7 Em7 D
all the streets were dark and bare.
D Em7 A7 D
In our town, no scarlet ribbons,
Em7 A7 Em7 D
scarlet ribbons for her hair.

CHORUS:

D Em7 D7 G
Through the night my heart was aching,
Bm F#+ Bm6 Em7 A7
 F#m Em A <-----
just before the dawn was break..ing..

#3.

D Em7 A7 D
I peeked in, and on her pillow,
Em7 A7 Em7 D
in gay profusion, lying there.
D Em7 A7 D
I saw ribbons, scarlet ribbons,
Em7 A7 Em7 D
scarlet ribbons for her hair.

CHORUS:#2.

D Em7 D7 G Em7
If I live to be a hundred..
Bm F#+ Bm6 Em7 A7
 F#m Em A <-----
I will never know from where..

#4.

D Em7 A7 D
Came those lovely scarlet ribbons,
Em7 A7 Em7 A9 D
scarlet ribbons for her hair.