

# Heart of Gold

Words and Music by Neil Young

## Intro

Moderately slow ♩ = 85

Em7 D Em

*mf*  
let ring throughout

TAB

Em C D G *Play 3 times*

Em7 D Em

## Verse

Em C D G

1. I wan - na live,  
2. See additional lyrics

I wan - na give,

Em C D G

I've been a min - er for a heart of gold.

Em C D G

It's these ex - pres - sions — I nev - er give

Em7 G

that keep me search - in' for a heart of gold.

C G

And I'm get - tin' old. —

Em7

G

Keep me search - in' for a heart of gold.

The first system of music features a vocal line in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 2/4 time signature. The lyrics are "Keep me search - in' for a heart of gold." The melody starts on a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The guitar accompaniment is in the same key and time, starting with a half note chord Em7 (E2, G2, B2, D3) and continuing with a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes.

C

G

And I'm get - tin' old.

The second system continues the vocal line with the lyrics "And I'm get - tin' old." The melody consists of quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and C5. The guitar accompaniment features a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes, with some chords being held over from the previous system.

Interlude

Em

C

D

G

The first system of the interlude is a guitar-only section. It begins with a half note chord Em7 (E2, G2, B2, D3) and continues with a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. The system concludes with a half note chord G (G2, B2, D3).

Em

C

D

G

The second system of the interlude continues the guitar-only section with the same rhythmic pattern and chord changes as the first system, ending with a half note chord G (G2, B2, D3).

Em C D G

1.  
Em7 D Em

2.  
Outro  
Em7 D Em

Keep me search - in' for a heart of gold. —

Em7 D Em

You keep me search - in' and I'm grow - in' old. —

Em7 D Em

Keep me search - in' for a heart of gold. —

Em7 G

I've been a min - er for a heart of gold. —

C G

A - ha. — Mm.

*Additional Lyrics*

2. I've been to Hollywood,  
 I've been to Redwood,  
 I'd cross the ocean for a heart of gold.  
 I've been in my mind, it's such a fine line  
 That keeps me searchin' for a heart of gold.  
 And I'm gettin' old.  
 Keeps me searchin' for a heart of gold.  
 And I'm gettin' old.