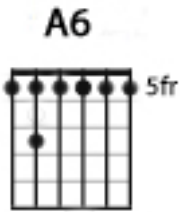


# Big Yellow Taxi by Joni Mitchell

Tune Guitar to 'E'

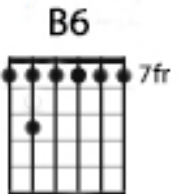
[Intro]

Slide to A A6 A A6 B B6 B B6  
E E6 E E6 E E6 E



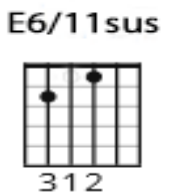
[Verse 1]

A E E6 E E6 E E6 E  
They paved paradise and put up a parking lot  
A B E E6 E E6 E E6 E  
with a pink hotel, a boutique and a swingin' hot spot.



[Chorus]

E  
Don't it always seem to go  
A E  
that you don't know what you've got till it's gone.  
A B E E6 E E6 E E6 E  
They paved paradise and put up a parking lot.



[Verse 2]

A E E6 E E6 E E6 E  
They took all the trees, put 'em in a tree museum  
A B E E6 E E6 E E6 E  
and they charged the people a dollar and a half just to see 'em.

[Chorus]

E  
Don't it always seem to go  
A E  
that you don't know what you've got till it's gone.  
A B E E6 E E6 E E6 E  
They paved paradise and put up a parking lot.

[Verse 3]

A E E6 E E6 E E6 E  
Hey farmer, farmer, put away that D.D.T. now,  
A B E E6 E E6 E E6 E  
give me spots on my apples but leave me the birds and the bees, please.

[Chorus 3]

**E**  
Don't it always seem to go  
**A** **E**  
that you don't know what you've got till it's gone.  
**A** **B** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E**  
They paved paradise and put up a parking lot.

[Verse 4]

**A** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E**  
Late last night I heard the screen door slam  
**A** **B** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E**  
and a big yellow taxi took away my old man

[Chorus]

**E**  
Don't it always seem to go  
**A** **E**  
that you don't know what you've got till it's gone.  
**A** **B** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E**  
They paved paradise and put up a parking lot.

[Verse 5]

**A** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E**  
Late last night I heard the screen door slam  
**A** **B** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E**  
and a big yellow tractor took away my house, it took away my land

[Chorus]

**E**  
I said don't it always seem to go  
**A** **E**  
that you don't know what you've got till it's gone.  
**A** **B** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E**  
They paved paradise and put up a parking lot.

[Outro]

**A** **B** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E** **E6** **E**  
They paved paradise, put up a parking lot