

Cocaine Blues by Johnny Cash

[Verse 1]

C#

Early one mornin' while makin' the rounds, I took a shot of cocaine and I
G#

shot my woman down. I went right home and I went to bed.

C#

I stuck that lovin' .44 beneath my head

[Verse 2]

C#

Got up next mornin' and I grabbed that gun, took a shot of cocaine and
G#

away I run. Made a good run but I run too slow

C#

They overtook me down in Juarez, Mexico.

[Verse 3]

C#

Late in the hot joints takin' the pills, in walked the sheriff from
G#

Jericho Hill. He said Willy Lee your name is not Jack Brown.

C#

You're the dirty hack that shot your woman down.

[Verse 4]

C#

Said yes, oh yes my name is Willy Lee, if you've got the warrant just
G#

a-read it to me. Shot her down because she made me slow.

C#

I thought I was her daddy but she had five more.

[Verse 5]

C#

When I was arrested I was dressed in black, they put me on a train and they

G#

took me back. Had no friend for to go my bail.

C#

They slapped my dried up carcass in that county jail

[Verse 6]

C#

Early next mornin' about a half past nine, I spied the sheriff coming

G#

down the line. Talked and he coughed as he cleared his throat, he said

C#

come on you dirty heck into that district court.

[Verse 7]

C#

Into the courtroom my trial began where I was handled by

G#

twelve honest men. Just before the jury started out

C#

I saw the little judge commence to look about.

[Verse 8]

C#

In about five minutes in walked a man, Holding the verdict in

G#

his right hand. The verdict read in the first degree.

C#

I hollered Lawdy Lawdy, have a mercy on me.

[Verse 9]

C#

The judge he smiled as he picked up his pen 99 years in the

G#

Folsom pen. 99 years underneath that ground.

C#

I can't forget the day I shot that bad bitch down.

[Verse 10]

C#

Come on you've gotta listen

F#

D#

G#

C#

unto me, lay off that whiskey and let that cocaine be.