

# So Far From The Clyde

Mark Knopfler

**Am**

They had a last supper

**G Am Am**

The day of the Beaching

**Am C**

She's a dead ship sailing

**Em Em**

Skeleton Crew

**F**

The galley is empty

**C Am Am Am F**

The stove pots are cooling

**Am Asus4**

With what's left of the stew

**Am**

The time is approaching

**G Am Am**

The captain moves over

**Am C**

The hangman steps in

**Em Em**

To do what he's paid for

**F**

With the wind down the tide

**C Am Am**

She goes proud ahead steaming

**F Am Am**

And he drives her hard into the shore

**C Em F F**

So far from the Clyde

**Dm Dm**

Together we ride

**F F**

We did ride

**Am**

As if to a wave

**G Am Am**

From her bows to her rudder

**Am C Em Em**

Bravely she rises to meet with the land

**F C Am Am**

Under their feet they all feel her keel shatter

**F Am Am**

The shallow sea washes their hands

**Am**

Later the captain

**G Am Am**

Shakes hands with the hangman

**Am C**

And climbs slowly down

**Em Em**

To the oily wet ground

**F C Am Am**

Goes 'bout to the car that has come here to take him

**F** **Am** **Am**

To the graveyard and back to the town

**C** **Em** **F** **F**

So far from the Clyde

**Dm** **Dm**

Together we ride

**F** **F**

We did ride

**Am**

They pull out her cables

**G** **Am** **Am**

And hack off her hatches

**Am** **C** **Em** **Em**

Too poor to be wasteful with pity or time

**F** **C** **Am** **Am**

They swarm on her carcass with torches and axes

**F** **Am** **Am**

Like a whale on the bloody shoreline

**Am**

Stripped of her pillars

**G** **Am**

Her stays and her stantions

**Am** **C** **Em** **Em**

When there's only her bones on the wet poison land

**F** **C** **Am** **Am**

Steel ropes will drag her with winches and engines

**F** **Am** **Am**

'Til it's only a stain on the sand

**C** **Em** **F** **F**

So far from the Clyde

**Dm** **Dm**

Together we ride

**F** **F/E** **Dsus2** **Dsus2/A**

We did ride

**C** **Em** **F** **F**

So far from the Clyde

**Dm** **Dm**

Together we ride

**F** **F**

We did ride