

**“Till There Was You”
As performed by The Beatles**

INTRO F F#dim Gm C7

VERSE 1

F F#dim Gm Bbm6
There were bells on a hill..... But I never heard them ringing
F Am7 Abm7 Gm7 C7 F F#dim Gm C7
No, I never heard them at all..... Till there was you

VERSE 2

F F#dim Gm Bbm6
There were birds in the sky..... But I never saw them winging
F Am7 Abm7 Gm7 C7 F F7
No, I never saw them at all..... Till there was you

BRIDGE

(F7) Bb Bbm6 F
Then there was music..... and wonderful roses
D7 G7 Gm C7+5
They tell me in sweet fragrant meadows of dawn and dew

VERSE 3

F F#dim Gm Bbm6
There was love all a-round..... But I never heard it singing
F Am7 Abm7 Gm7 C7 F
No, I never heard it at all..... Till there was you

INSTRUMENTAL (verse chords)

F F#dim Gm Bbm6 F Am7 Abm7 Gm7 C7 F F7

BRIDGE

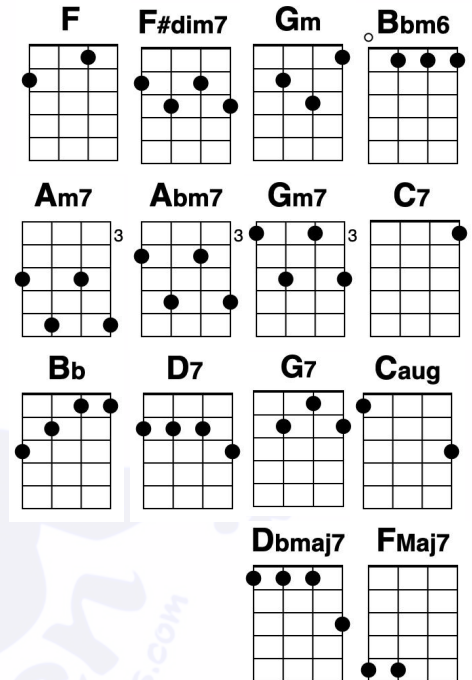
(F7) Bb Bbm6 F
Then there was music..... and wonderful roses
D7 Gm G7 C7 Caug
They tell me in sweet fragrant meadows of dawn and dew

VERSE 3

F F#dim Gm Bbm6
There was love all a-round..... But I never heard it singing
F Am7 Abm7 Gm7 C7 F
No, I never heard it at all..... Till there was you

OUTRO

C7 F Dbmaj7 F Fmaj7
Till there was you



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"**Till There Was You**" is a [show tune](#) written by [Meredith Willson](#), popularized by his 1957 stage production *The Music Man* and its [1962 movie musical adaptation](#), and further popularised by the [Beatles](#) cover.

The song became the first Top 40 hit for [Anita Bryant](#) in 1959,^[1] prior to being recorded by the [Beatles](#) in 1963. [Wikipedia lists

Origins

First recorded as "Till I Met You" by [Eileen Wilson](#) on October 25, 1950, this earlier incarnation of the song was also performed by [Fran Warren](#) for *The Big Show* on January 14, 1951.

The revised song "Till There Was You" was first produced and released by [Nelson Riddle](#), featuring his orchestra and 17-year-old vocalist [Sue Raney](#). Promotional copies of the [7-inch single](#) (Capitol P3847) were released November 26, 1957, preceding the December 19 opening of the original Broadway production, and a full month ahead of the original cast album.

Performed in the second act of *The Music Man* by librarian Marian Paroo, the song was recorded by [Barbara Cook](#) for the original Broadway cast album, and by [Shirley Jones](#) for the [1962 movie adaptation](#).

Other Recorded Versions

1. Jazz vocalist [Sue Raney](#) recorded the tune with the [Nelson Riddle](#) Orchestra on October 29, 1957, for her first album, "When Your Lover Has Gone." This recording pre-dated the opening of *The Music Man* by about 6 weeks.
2. Jazz saxophonist [Sonny Rollins](#) recorded the song on his groundbreaking album *Freedom Suite* (1958). An alternate take is provided on the 1999 CD rerelease.
3. Guitar instrumentalist [Chet Atkins](#) recorded the single for his album *Teensville* (1960).
4. In March 1961, "'Til There Was You" was a minor hit in the UK for [Peggy Lee](#).^[10]
5. [Etta Jones](#) recorded a version for her album *Something Nice* (1961).^[11]
6. Gene Mcdaniels covered the song on his 1961 album "100 lbs of Clay"^[12]
7. [Al Hirt](#) released a version on his album, *Horn A-Plenty* (1962).^[13]
8. [Nana Mouskouri](#) recorded a slow, romantic, velvety version as originally the closing track on her acclaimed [Great American Songbook](#) album *Nana Mouskouri in New York (The Girl from Greece Sings)* (1962), produced by [Quincy Jones](#).^[14]
9. In 1962, an instrumental version of Meredith Willson's song by [Valjean](#) was also popular.^[15]
10. In 1963, [Sergio Franchi](#) recorded this song on his RCA Victor Red Seal album *Broadway... I Love You*.^[16]
11. In 1966, Marvin Gaye and Kim Weston recorded this song on album *Take Two*.
12. In 1974, [Ray Charles](#) recorded this song on his Crossover Records album *Come Live With Me*
13. In 1984, Brazilian singer [Beto Guedes](#) released a version in Portuguese called "Quando te vi" (When I saw you), written by Ronaldo Bastos.
14. In 1998, [Ellen Albertini Dow](#) sang this in the movie *The Wedding Singer*, though this rendition does not appear on the official soundtrack.
15. In 2000, [Peter MacNicol](#), [Lisa Nicole Carson](#), and [Jane Krakowski](#) performed a version of the song on TV show *Ally McBeal*'s season 3 episode "Turning Thirty".^[17]
16. In 2003, [Rod Stewart](#) recorded his version on his album *As Time Goes By: The Great American Songbook, Volume II*.
17. [Piolo Pascual](#) recorded his version for the like-named 2003 film.
18. [The Smithereens](#) recorded the song on their 2007 album *Meet the Smithereens!*, which consists entirely of cover versions of songs from the *Meet the Beatles!* album.
19. In 2009, [Katherine Jenkins](#) recorded the song on her album *Believe*.