

# ***Black Diamond Strings - Larry Cordle***

Bluegrass Contemporary, Key of **B** My Key: \_\_\_\_

**INTRO:** **1** , **1** , **4** , **5** , **5** , **1** , **1**

My first gui- **1** tar, was a loaner, an-old off brand my cousin let me **4** keep  
**5** Back when I, was learning how to play, like the boys in Tennes- **1** see,  
I'd sit up **1** every night and pick it, **1'** 'til my fingers turned **4** green  
And I **5** learned, how to make her talk  
On them Black, Diamond **1** strings,  
Well **1** Daddy showed me three chords  
But Jimmy Steele, taught me how to **4** play,  
He **5** showed, me the G run, I'm still using to- **1** day,  
I thought it **1** surely must be magic, **1'** , the way he made it **4** ring  
But he **5** said it ain't no secret son  
It's these Black, Diamond **1** strings,

## **CHORUS:**

Well I don't **6m** know if they still make 'em  
**4** , Back then they were the **1** best,  
And a **6m** good time didn't cost much, **4** two ninety five a **5** set,  
Back be- **1** fore I left Faye Ellen, **1'** , to-chase my hillbilly **4** dreams  
All it **5** took to make me happy was  
an old guitar and Black, Diamond **1** strings,

## **INSTRUMENTAL: Same as 2X INTRO**

Now **1** I've been to the mountain top, had my share of troubles **4** too,  
But if **5** I could do it all again, Lord I know just what **1** I'd, do  
'Cause if **1** I could have just one wish  
I'd **1'** take a trip back in a time mach- **4** ine  
To the **5** day I learned to play the Wildwood Flower  
On Black, Diamond **1** strings, **5** , **1**

## **CHORUS**

Hey back be- **1** fore I left Faye Ellen, **1'**  
To-chase my make it big **4** dreams  
All it **5** took to make me happy  
Was-this old box and Black, Diamond **1** strings

1 = B
4 = E
5 = G <sup>b</sup>
6 = A <sup>b</sup>