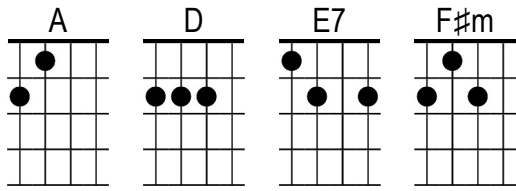


The Swimming Song

Loudon Wainwright III



Intro

This **A** summer I went | swimming
This **E7** summer I might have **F#m** drowned
But I | held my breath and I **D** kicked my feet
And I **E7** moved my arms a **F#m** round
I **E7** moved my arms a **A** round

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This **A** summer I swam in the | ocean
And I **E7** swam in a swimming **F#m** pool
| Salt my wounds, chlo**D** rined my eyes
I'm a **E7** self-destructive **F#m** fool
I'm a **E7** self-destructive **A** fool

Repeat Intro (Instrumental)

This **A** summer I did the | backstroke
And you **E7** know that that's not **F#m** all
I did the | breaststroke and the **D** butterfly
And the **E7** old Australian **F#m** crawl
The **E7** old Australian **A** crawl

This **A** summer I swam in a **|** public place
And a **E7** reservoir to **F#m** boot
At the **|** latter I was in **D** formal
At the **E7** former I wore my **F#m** suit
I **E7** wore my swimming **A** suit

Repeat Intro (Instrumental)

This **A** summer I did **|** swan dives
And **E7** jack-knives for you **F#m** all
And **|** once when you **D** weren't looking
I **E7** did a cannon **F#m** ball
I **E7** did a cannon **A** ball

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And I **E7** moved my arms a **F#m** round
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Repeat Intro (Instrumental) x2

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