

On Top of Old Smokey (Fingerstyle) - Burl Ives (3/4 - Capo 2nd Fret)

Intro:

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e|-3-----|---0-----|
B|-0-----|0h1-----|
G|-0-----|---0-----|
D|-0-----|0h2-----|
A|-2-----|---3-----|
E|-3-----|-----|

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Melody:

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e|-----|-----|-3-----|-0-----|-----|
B|-----|---0-3-|-1-----|-1-----|-----1-|
G|-----|0-----|-----|-----|-----|
D|-----|---0-0-|---2-2-|---2-2-|-----2-|
A|-----|-----|-3-----|-3-----|-3-----|
E|-3-----|-3-----|-----|-----|-----|

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On top of old smokey All

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e|-----0-|-----|-----|-----|-----|
B|-1-3-1-|-3-----|-----|-----|---0-3-|
G|-----|-0-----|-----|-----0-|-0-----|
D|---2-2-|---0-0-|---0-0-|-----|---0-0-|
A|-3-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
E|-----|-3-----|-3-----|-3-----|-3-----|

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Covered with snow I lost my true

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e|-----|-----|-----|-----|
B|-3-----|-----|-----0-|-1-0---|
G|-2-----|-2---2-|-----|-2---2-|
D|---0-0-|---0---|-----|---0-0-|
A|-----|-----|-----|-----|
E|-2-----|-2-----|-2-----|-2-----|

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Lover From courting too

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e|-3-----|---0-----|-----|

B|-0-----|-0h1-----|-----|

G|-0-----|---0-----|-----|

D|-0-----|-0h2-----|-----|

A|-2-----|---3-----|-----|

E|-3-----|-----|-----|

Slow

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On top of old smokey

G

All covered with snow

D

I lost my true lover

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From courting too slow

For courting's a pleasure
 And parting's a grief
 And a false hearted lover
 Is worse than a thief

For a thief will just rob you
 And take all you save
 But a false hearted lover
 Will lead you to the grave

And the grave will decay
 You and turn you to dust
 Not one girl in fifty
 A poor boy can trust

They'll hug you and kiss you
 And tell you more lies
 Than cross lines on a railroad
 Or stars in the skies

So come all your maidens
 And listen to me
 Never place your affections
 On a green willow tree

For the leaves they will wither
 And the roots they will die
 You'll all be forsaken
 And never know why.

Burl Ives Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SU8aPST7GC0>

Helmut Bickel Lesson: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bL52EsB4yRg>