Running Bear – Johnny Preston

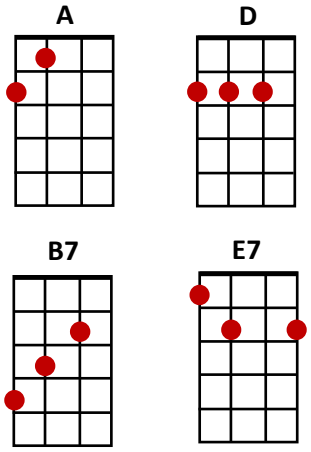
Intro. **Moderate speed** **Rolling A staccato** **Indian War Cries**

Verses – short staccato rhythm **Chorus – Flowing rhythm**

A D A
On the bank of the river, stood Running Bear, young Indian brave,
B7 E7
On the other side of the river, stood his lovely Indian maid.
A D A
Little White Dove was-a her name, such a lovely sight to see,
E7 A
But their tribes fought with each other, so their love could never be.

Chorus

D A
Running Bear loved Little White Dove,
E7 A
With a love as big as the sky.
D A
Running Bear loved Little White Dove,
E7 A
With a love that couldn't die.



A D A
He couldn't swim the raging river, cause the river was too wide,
B7 E7
He couldn't reach Little White Dove, waiting on the other side.
A D A
In the moonlight he could see her, throwing kisses 'cross the waves,
E7 A
Her little heart was beating faster, waiting there for her brave.

Chorus
A D A
Running Bear dove in the water, Little White Dove did the same,
B7 E7
And they swam out to each other, through the swirling stream they came.
A D A
As their hands touched and their lips met, the raging river pulled them down,
E7 A
Now they'll always be together, in that happy hunting ground.

Chorus X 2 **Repeat the last line 2nd time to end**