

I Wanna Go Back to Dixie

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A little too fast

The piano introduction is in 2/4 time, starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth notes and a final triplet of eighth notes. The left hand provides a steady bass line with eighth notes.

f *mf* a tempo

F7 \% B \flat F7 B \flat B \flat 7 E \flat E dim

I wan-na go back to Dix-ie Take me back to dear ol' Dix-ie, That's the
wan-na go back to Dix-ie I wan-na be a Dix-ie pix-ie And eat

B \flat Fm G7 C7 F7

on - ly li'l ol' place for li'l ol' me. Ol' times
corn-pone till it's com-in' out of my ears. I wan - na

B \flat B \flat 7 E \flat E dim

there are not for - got - ten, Whup-pin' slaves and sell - in' cot - ton, And
talk with South-ern gen - tle - men And put my white sheet on a - gain, I

B \flat C7 F7

wait-in' for the Rob-ert E. Lee. (It was nev-er there on time.) I'll
 ain't seen one good lynch-in' in years. The

poco rit.

B \flat B \flat 7

go back to the Swa-nee Where pel-lag-ra makes you scraw-ny, And the
 land of the boll wee-vil, Where the laws are me-di-e-val, Is

freely

E \flat G \flat /E B \flat Bdim F7

hon-ey-suck-le clut-ters up the vine. I
 call-in' me to come and nev-er-more roam. I wan-na

a tempo

B \flat Bdim F7 To Coda ♩ B \flat Fm 6 G7

real-ly am a - fix - in' To go home and start a - mix-in' Down be-
 go back to the South-land, That y'

C7 F7 Bb F7

low that Ma - son - Dix - on line. (Spoken) Won't - cha

Bb Bb7 Eb Ebm Bb Bb7 Eb Ebm

come with me to Al - a - bam - my, Back to the arms of my dear ol' Mam - my, Her

Bb Bb7 Eb Ebm Bb F7 Bb ,

cook - in's lous - y and her hands are clam - my, But what the hell, it's home. (Sung) Yes, for

Slower F7 F dim F7

par - a - dise the South - land is my nom - i - nee. Jes' give

D. S. al Coda

F7 Fdim F7

me a ham hock and a grit of hom-i-ny. I

CODA

Bb Bdim F7 Bb F7 Slower Bb F7/Bb Bb

all and 'shet - ma - mouth' land, Be it ev - er so

ritard.

Ab G7 Back to tempo C7 F7

dec - a - dent, there's no place like

Bb F7 Bb

home.