

# Ruby, Don't Take Your Love to Town

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## [NC] 4 Bars (tacit)

You've painted up your lips and rolled and *[instruments start on [G] hair]*  
Curled your tinted [G] hair [G] (4) [Dm] (2)

[C] Ruby are you contemplating  
[F] Going out some [G] where [G] (4)

The [Dm] shadow on the wall tells me  
The [G] sun is going down [G] (3) [Dm] (2)

Oh [C] Ru [F] by- [Am] y- [Dm] y [Dm]\*  
Don't take your love to [C] town [C] (4)

It [Dm] wasn't me that started that old [C] crazy Asian war [C] (3)  
But [Dm] I was proud to go and do my [F] patriotic [G] chore [G] (4)  
And [Dm] yes, it's true that I'm not the [G] man I used to be [G] (3) [Dm] (2)

Oh [C] Ru [F] by- [Am] y- [Dm] y [Dm]\*  
I still need some compa [C] ny [C] (4)

It's [C] hard to love a man whose legs are [F] bent and para [G] lyzed [G] (4) [Dm] (2)  
And the [C] wants and the needs of a woman of your age  
[F] Ruby, I rea [G] lize [G] (4)  
But it [Dm] won't be long I've heard them say un [G] til I'm not around [G] (3) [Dm] (2)

Oh [C] Ru [F] by- [Am] y- [Dm] y [Dm]\*  
Don't take your love to [C] town [C] (4)

[NC] She's leaving now 'cause I just heard the [NC] slammin' of the [NC] door  
The [NC] way I know I've heard it slam one [NC] hundred times be [NC] fore (4)

And if [Dm] I could move I'd get my gun and [G] put her in the ground [G] (3) [Dm] (2)  
Oh [C] Ru [F] by- [Am] y- [Dm] y [Dm]\*  
Don't take your love to [C] town [C] (4)

Oh [C] Ru [F] by- [Am] y- [Dm] y [Dm]\*  
For God's sake turn a [NC] round (4)