

# (They Long to Be) CLOSE TO YOU

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Music by BURT BACHARACH

Moderately slow, with a beat

Abmaj7 G7sus G7

Why do birds sud - den - ly ap - pear ev - 'ry

Gm7 Cm7 Ab

time you are near? Just like me. — they long to be

Eb6 Ebmaj7 N.C. Abmaj7 G7sus G7

close to you. — Why do stars fall down from the sky ev - 'ry

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). It consists of three systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment with a bass line. Chord diagrams for guitar are provided above the vocal line. The first system starts with Abmaj7, G7sus, and G7 chords. The second system uses Gm7, Cm7, and Ab chords. The third system uses Eb6, Ebmaj7, N.C. (Natural Chord), Abmaj7, G7sus, and G7 chords. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand. The vocal line is a simple melody with lyrics: 'Why do birds sud - den - ly ap - pear ev - 'ry time you are near? Just like me. — they long to be close to you. — Why do stars fall down from the sky ev - 'ry'.

Gm7 Cm7 Ab

time you walk by? Just like me, they long to be

Eb6 Ebmaj7 Eb6 Ebmaj7 Ab

close to you. On the day that you were born the

Gm C9sus C9

an-gels got to-gether and de-cid-ed to cre-ate a dream come true. So, they

Ab(add2) Ab Abmaj7 Ab6 Bb

sprin-kled moon dust in your hair of gold and star-light in your eyes of blue.

*dim. poco a poco* *rit. e dim.*

8va

N.C. **Abmaj7** **G7sus** **G7**

That is why all the boys  
girls in town fol - low

*loco*

*mf a tempo*

**Gm7** **Cm7** **Ab**

you all a - round. Just like me. — they long to be

**Eb6** **Ebmaj7** **Eb6** **Ebmaj7** **Ab**

close to you. — Just like me — they long to be

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| <b>Eb6</b><br><br><b>Ebmaj7</b><br> | <b>Repeat and Fade</b><br><b>Eb6</b><br> | <b>Optional Ending</b><br><b>Ebmaj9</b><br> |
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close to you. —

*8vb*