

# Kittie Clyde

Tommy Jarrell

Key: A / Fiddle tuning: AEAE

Structure: 1 part tune.

Suggested arrangements:

- 1) Start with instrumental, chorus, instrumental
- 2) Then repeat either
  - a) verse, chorus, instrumental OR
  - b) verse, instrumental and end on chorus, instrumental

Chords: AAAA AAEE AADD AEAA

In jams, the tune is often played arranged per 2a. Most people don't know the verses, so the arrangement lets them join in on the chorus. Tommy recorded it arranged per 2b. Tommy plays a simpler fiddle part when he plays and sings.

Recommended Recordings:

[Kittie Clyde](#) (YT) – vocals & fiddle: Tommy Jarrell, banjo – Kyle Creed

- Album: June Apple – Old-Time Fiddling & Clawhammer Banjo
- FLAC recording - [Kittie Clyde](#)

[Kittie Clyde](#) – fiddle – John Engle, banjo & vocals – John Hermann, bass & vocals – Meredith McIntosh, guitar – Carol Elizabeth Jones, guitar? – Alice Gerrard, mandolin? – Carl Jones, unknown - Tom Sauber

- Jam session: Swannanoa Old-Time Week, 2007

[Kittie Clyde](#) (YT) – fiddle – Tommy Jarrell, vocals – unknown

- One of the Barasch videos. Tommy plays fiddle and someone sings the chorus once.

Chorus:

Say do you love me Kitty Clyde  
Say do you love me Kitty Clyde  
Say (it) if you love me my own little girl  
Tell (/ Say) me that you love me Kitty Clyde

Verses:

I wish I was a little bee  
I'd never gather nectar from the flower  
I'd steal one kiss from my sweet Kitty's lips  
I'd build my hive on her brow

I wish I was a little fish  
I'd never bite the hook nor the line  
I'd swim, I would swim to the middle of the sea  
(And / Lord) I'd leave all them big fish behind

I wish I was a turtle dove  
I would fly far over the sea  
I would fly, I would fly, and I never would return  
(Un)til my sweetheart sent for me