Give Me The Simple Life music by Rube Bloom, lyrics by

Harry Ruby (1946)

Em7 A7 D B7

I don't believe in frettin' and grievin';

C#m7-5 F#7 Bm D7(B7b9)

Why mess around with strife?

G(Em7) Gm D Bm7

I never was cut out to step and strut out.

E7 Em7 A7 A7

Give me the simple life.



Em7 *A7* D **B7** Some find it pleasant dining on pheasant. F#7 C#m7-5 Bm D7(B7b9) Those things roll off my knife; G(Em7) Gm Bm7 Just serve me tomatoes; and mashed potatoes; *A7 E*7 D Give me the simple life.



Em7 A7 D A7b9

A cottage small is all I'm after,

Em7 A7 D Bm7

Not one that's spacious and wide.

C#m7-5 F#7 Bm B7

A house that rings with joy and laughter

E7 Em7 A7 A7

And the ones you love inside.



Em7 A7 D B7

Some like the high road, I like the low road,

C#m7-5 F#7 Bm D7(B7b9)

Free from the care and strife.

G Gm D Bm7

Sounds corny and seedy, but yes, indeed-y;

E7 A7 D D

Give me the simple life.