

# Lush Life

Vocal

Billy Strayhorn (1949) - written earlier

**V1**  $D\flat_6$   $C\flat_9$   $D\flat\Delta_3$   $C\flat_9$   $D\flat\Delta_3$   $C\flat_9$

1 I used to vis - it all the ver - y gay pla - ces Those come - what - may pla - ces Where one re -

$D\flat\Delta$   $E\flat_7$   $F_7$   $F\sharp_7$   $A\flat_7$   $D13(\sharp 11)$   $F_7$   $D9(\sharp 11)$   $D\flat(6/9)$   $D13(\sharp 11)$

5 lax - es on the ax - is of the wheel of life To get the feel of life From jazz and cock - tails The

$D\flat_6$   $C\flat_9$   $D\flat\Delta_3$   $C\flat_9$   $D\flat\Delta_3$   $C\flat_9$

9 girls I knew had sad and sul - len gray fac - es With dis - tin - gue trac - es That used to

$D\flat\Delta$   $E\flat_7$   $F_7$   $F\sharp_7$   $A\flat_7$   $D13(\sharp 11)$   $3$   $F_7$   $D9(\sharp 11)$   $D\flat(6/9)$   $G\flat C7(\flat 9)$

12 be there, You could see where they'd been washed a - way By too man - y through the day Twelve o' - clock tales Then

**V2 (Faster)**  $F^-$   $F_6$   $F^-$   $F_7$   $F^-_3$   $G\flat$   $C7(\flat 9)$

16 you came a - long with your si - ren song To tempt me to mad - ness I

$F^-$   $F_6$   $F^-$   $F_7$   $F^-_3$

20 thought for a while that your poig - nant smile Was tinged with the sad - ness

**(Slower)**  $A\flat 13_3$   $B_9$   $B\flat_9$

23 Of a great love for me Ah yes, I was

$E\flat_7$   $A9(\sharp 11)$   $E\flat m7(\text{add} 11)$   $D13(\sharp 11)$

26 wrong A - gain, I was wrong

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**A** D $\flat$  $\Delta$  D13( $\sharp$ 11) D $\flat$  $\Delta$  D13( $\sharp$ 11) D $\flat$ 6 F $\sharp$ -7 B13 E $\Delta$  E $\flat$ 7 D13( $\sharp$ 11)

30 Life is lone - ly a - gain And on - ly last year Ev - 'ry - thing seemed so sure Now

D $\flat$  $\Delta$  D13( $\sharp$ 11) D $\flat$  $\Delta$  D13( $\sharp$ 11) D $\flat$ 6 D $\flat$ 9 C13 F E7 E $\flat$ 7 A13

34 life is aw - ful a - gain A troug - ful of hearts could on - ly be a bore A

**B** A $\flat$  $\Delta$  E $\flat$ 7alt. A $\flat$  $\Delta$  E-7 A7 D $\Delta$  D-7 G7 C $\Delta$  A $\flat$ 13

38 week in Pa - ris could ease the bite of it All I care is to smile in spite of it

D $\flat$  $\Delta$  D13( $\sharp$ 11) D $\flat$  $\Delta$  D13( $\sharp$ 11) D $\flat$ 6 C7( $\flat$ 5  $\sharp$ 9) B13 F-7 B $\flat$ 7

42 I'll for - get you, I will While yet you are still Burn - ing in - side my brain Ro -

**C** F $\sharp$ m9 B13 A+9 A $\flat$ 13 D $\flat$  $\Delta$  G $\flat$ 13 F-7 B $\flat$ 7

46 mance is mush, Sti - fling those who strive I'll live a lush life in some small dive And

F $\sharp$ m9 B13 A+9 A $\flat$ 13 E $\Delta$  E $\flat$  $\Delta$  D $\Delta$  B $\flat$ 7

50 there I'll be, while I rot with the rest Of those whose lives are

A7( $\sharp$ 11) A $\flat$ +7 D $\flat$  $\Delta$  (A $\flat$ 13 D $\flat$  $\Delta$  D13( $\sharp$ 11) D $\flat$  $\Delta$  D13( $\sharp$ 11) )

53 lone - ly too. *Fine*

**Solos on A B C.**  
After solos, DS al fine