

Big Yellow Taxi

Joni Mitchell, 1970

**They paved paradise
And put up a parking lot
With a pink hotel, a boutique
And a swinging hot spot
Don't it always seem to go
That you don't know what you've got
'Till it's gone
They paved paradise
And put up a parking lot**

**They took all the trees
And put them in a tree museum
And they charged all the people
A dollar and a half to see 'em
Don't it always seem to go
That you don't know what you've got
'Till it's gone
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And they put up a parking lot**

**Hey farmer farmer
Put away that D.D.T. now
Give me spots on my apples
But leave me the birds and the bees
Please
Don't it always seem to go
That you don't know what you've got
'Till it's gone
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And put up a parking lot**

**Late last night
I heard the screen door slam
And a big yellow taxi
Took away my old man
Don't it always seem to go
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