

The Tale of Ernester Faille

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D Bm
Gather ye round, all you wizards and clowns

G A D
And raise a big frosty ale

D Bm
Chug down your cheer as confounded you'll hear

G A D
The Tale of Ernester Faille

D Bm
With a big bump of pride and a blushing young bride

G A D
Poor Ernester took on a farm

D Bm
Lush orchards and fields and rich crops they would yield

G A D
Young Ernester fell for its charm

G A D Bm
So he hoed and he sowed but he only grew old

G A D Bm
And he wrought and he fought but it all was for naught

G A D Bm
And he hucked and he shucked but he never found luck

G A D
'Tis the Tale of Ernester Faille

D Bm
Exiled in beguile he'd still manage a smile

G A D
For buzzing bees on the breeze

D Bm
When the hills came alive and the forest did thrive

G A D
Ernester's heart was appeased

D Bm
But his tools and his skills were just run of the mill

G A D
And no fine fit for farmsteads

D Bm
The tractor's so old and the hay barn won't hold

G A D
Ernester's over his head

G A D Bm
Still he hoed and he sowed but he only grew old

G A D Bm
And he wrought and he fought but it all was for naught

G A D Bm
And he hucked and he shucked but he never found luck

G A D
Hear the Tale of Ernester Faille

G A D
So through long years he toiled

A D Bm
His neighbors all knew how his labors elude

A D Bm
They mocked all the rocks that grew more than his crops

A D Bm
The rents in the fence where the cows always went

A D Bm A
The holes in his clothes just right under his nose—what a fool

D Bm
A sisyphus life where intentions jackknife

G A D
Go tumbling straight down a hill

D Bm
Where young dreams of a man get consumed by a land

G A D
That's harder than he ever will.

G A D Bm
But he rode and he mowed but he only grew old

G A D Bm
And he swat and he caught but it all was for naught

G A D Bm
And he struck and he chucked but he never found luck

G A D
The sad Tale of Ernester Faille

D A G D
My, my, oh my

A D
Ernester's too full of pride

D A G D
My, my, oh, my

A D
Ernester he always tried

D A G D
My, my, oh, my

A D
Ernester's always denied

D A G D
My, my, oh, my

A D
Ernester saw the upside

D A G D
My, my, oh, my

A D
Ernester finally died