

WAIT TILL THE SUN SHINES NELLIE

Harry Von Tilzer, Music; Andrew Sterling, Lyrics; 1905

This popular Tin Pan Alley tune was written in 1905 by one of Tin Pan Alley's most prolific songwriters, Harry Von Tilzer, who is credited with having nearly 1,000 titles published. He partnered with lyricist Andrew Sterling for this particular work, and that duo is also responsible for such other successes as *"Only A Bird in a Gilded Cage"*, *"My Old New Hampshire Home"*, *"When The Flowers Bloom in Springtime"*, and *"I Want A Girl Just Like the Girl"*.

The name Von Tilzer is synonymous with Tin Pan Alley music, as all four of Harry's brothers (Albert, Jack, Julius, and Will) followed their older sibling into the song-writing business. In later years, Harry formed his own publishing company, which published many of the songs composed by all five Von Tilzers.

Over the years, this song has been recorded by such luminaries as the Dukes of Dixieland, Bing Crosby and Mary Martin, and Buddy Holly



In order to be able to come as close as possible to the original melody line, and include some of the original "color chords", this arrangement is out of D-A-d tuning, but requires a capo at the 3rd fret (key of G).

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