I Am Australian — The Seekers

Youtube: https://youtu.be/4VHTtkwt6YI

Intro: **[G]** *forty thousand years I've been, The* **[C]** *first Aus-***[D]***-trali-***[G]***-an* **[G]**

I **[G]** came from the dream-time, from the **[C]** dusty red-soil **[G]** plains
I **[Em]** am the ancient heart, the **[C]** keeper **[D]** of the **[G]** flame
I stood upon the rocky shores, I **[C]** watched the **[D]** tall ships **[Em]** come.
For **[G]** forty thousand years I've been, The **[C]** first Aus-**[D]**-trali-**[G]**-an **[G]**

I **[G]** came upon the prison ship, bowed **[C]** down by iron **[G]** chains
I **[Em]** fought the land, endured the lash, And **[C]** waited **[D]** for the **[G]** rains
I'm a settler, I'm a farmer's wife, on a **[C]** dry and **[D]** barren **[Em]** run,
A **[G]** convict, then a free man, I be-**[C]**-came Aus-**[D]**-trali-**[G]**-an **[G]**

I'm the **[G]** daughter of a digger, who **[C]** sought the mother **[G]** lode
The **[Em]** girl became a woman, on the **[C]** long and **[D]** dusty **[G]** road
I'm a child of the Depression, I **[C]** saw the **[D]** good times **[Em]** come,
I'm a **[G]** bushie, I'm a battler, I **[C]** am Aus-**[D]**-trali-**[G]**-an **[G]**

Chorus: **[G!]** We **[G!]** are **[G]** one, but we are **[C]** ma-**[G]**-ny,
[G] And from **[Em]** all the **[D]** lands on earth we **[G]** come **[G]**
We'll share a **[Em]** dream and sing with **[C]** one **[G]** voice, **[G!]**
"**[C!]** I **[D!]** am, **[Em!]** you **[D!]** are, we **[Em]** are Aus-**[D]**-trali-**[G]**-an" **[G]**

I'm a **[G]** teller of stories, I'm a **[C]** singer of **[G]** songs,
I am **[Em]** Albert Namatjira, and I **[C]** paint the **[D]** ghostly **[G]** gums.
I'm Clancy on his horse, I'm Ned **[C]** Kelly **[D]** on the **[Em]** run,
I'm the **[G]** one who waltzed **[Am]** Matilda, I **[C]** am Aus-**[D]**-trali-**[G]**-an **[G]**

I'm the **[G]** hot wind from the desert, I'm the **[C]** black soil of the **[G]** plains,
I'm the **[Em]** mountains and the valleys,
                              I'm the **[C]** drought and **[D]** flooding **[G!]** rains.
[N.C.] I am the rock, I am the sky, The **[C>]** rivers **[D>]** when they **[Em]** run,
The **[G]** spirit of this **[Am]** great land, I **[C]** am Aus-**[D]**-trali-**[G]**-an **[G!]**

Play and <u>SING SOFTLY</u> **[G!]** We **[G!]** are **[G]** one, but we are **[C]** ma-**[G]**-ny,
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   [F!] I **[C!]** am, **[Am!]** you **[G!]** are, we **[C]** are Aus-**[G]**-trali-**[C>]**-an