

Hold On

Tom Waits

Intro -x4-: D

Verse:

D They hung a sign up in our *G* town
 "If you live it up, you won't live it down"
D So she left Monte Rio, son
 Just like a bullet leaves a gun
 With her charcoal eyes and Monroe hips
 She went and took that California trip
 Well the moon was gold, her hair like wind
Em She said don't look back, just come on Jim *A*

Chorus:

Oh you got to hold on, hold on, --you gotta hold on
D Take my hand, I'm standing right here, you gotta hold on *D*

Verse:

D Well he gave her a dime store watch *G*
A And a ring made from a spoon *D*
 Everyone's looking for someone to blame *G*
 If you share my bed you share my name *A* *D* *D*
 Well go ahead and call the cops *G* *A*
 You don't meet nice girls in coffee shops *D* *G*
Em --She said baby I still love you *A*
Em Sometimes there's nothing left to do *A* *A*

Chorus:

Oh you got to hold on, hold on, --you gotta hold on
 Take my hand, I'm standing right here, you gotta hold on

Verse:

Down by the Riverside Motel
 It's 10 below and falling
 By a 99 cent store
 She closed her eyes and started swaying
 But it' so hard to dance that way
 When it's cold and there's no music
 Well your old home town's so far away
 But inside your head there's a record that's playing

Chorus:

A song called Hold On, hold on, baby gotta hold on
 Take my hand, I'm standing right here, you gotta hold on
 You got to hold on, hold on, baby gotta hold on
 Take my hand, I'm standing right here, you gotta hold on
 You got to hold on, hold on, baby gotta hold on
 Take my hand, I'm standing right here, you gotta hold on
 You got to hold on, hold on, baby gotta hold on
 Take my hand, I'm standing right here, you gotta hold on

Outro:

You got to hold on -x4-
 You got to hold on -baby/girl- -x2-