A Soldier’s Things
by Tom Waits
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Into:
|| Gm D7 :|| (4x)
(Finish the intro with an ascending bass line)

Part A:
Gm       D7
Davenports and kettle drums
Gm       D7
and swallowtail coats
Gm         Dm
Table cloths and
Eb         D7
patent leather shoes
Gm       D7
Bathing suits and bowling balls
Gm       D7
and clarinets and rings
Bb         Cm
and all this radio really
Ab         D7
needs is a fuse

Part B:
Cm             F
A tinker, a tailor,
Bb       Gm
a soldier’s things
Cm         F     Bb     A
his rifle, his boots full of rocks

Part C:
Gm             D7
And this one is for bravery
Gm         D7
And this one is for me
And everything’s a dollar
Gm       D       Gm       D
In this box
Part A:
Gm   D7
Cuff links and hubcaps
Gm   D7
Trophies and paperbacks
Gm   Dm
It’s good transportation
Eb   D7
But the brakes aren’t so hot
Gm   D7
Necktie and boxing gloves
Gm   D7
This jackknife is rusted
Bb   Cm
You can pound that dent out
Ab   D7
on the hood

Part B:
Cm   F
A tinker, a tailor
Bb   Gm
A soldier’s things
Cm   F   Bb   A
His rifle, his boots full of rocks

Part C:
Gm   D
Oh, and this one is for bravery
Gm   Eb   D
And this one is for me
And everything’s a dollar
Gm   D
in this box

Outro:
Gm   D   Gm   D

Notes:
1. From the Album Swordfish trombone.