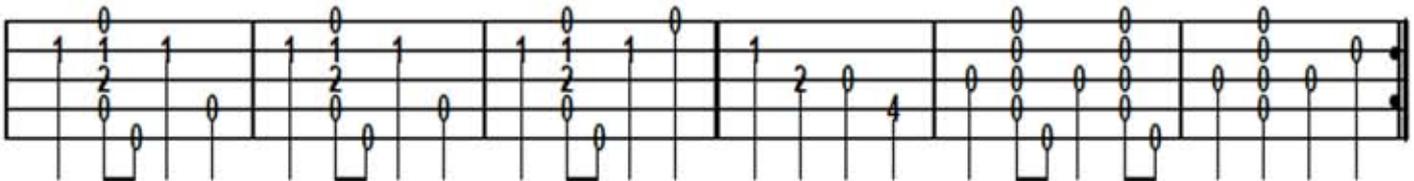
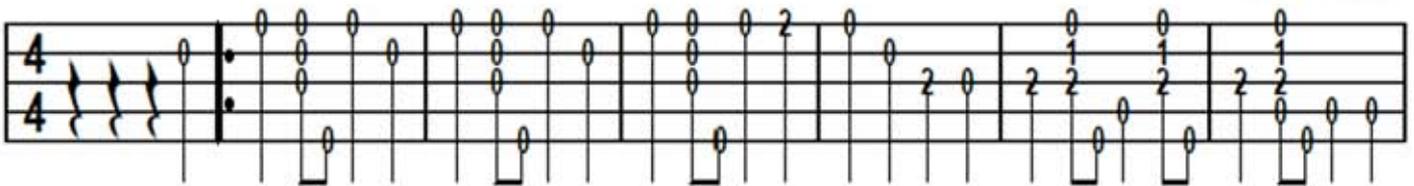


# Gentle on my mind

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John Hartford



John Hartford Is one of my heroes . See him on the “Banjo Heroes” page on this site.

Also see his version tab of “Gumtree canoe”.

He was an American folk, country, and bluegrass composer and musician known for his mastery of the fiddle and banjo

His most successful song is "Gentle on My Mind", which won three Grammy Awards and was listed in "BMI's Top 100 Songs of the Century.

It was released as part of an album in 1967. In 1968 he released a singles version which really got nowhere and wallowed in the bottom half of the Country charts.

In 1967, Glen Campbell recorded his version and released it . It reached No30 in the Country Charts. Campbell then had a major hit with “By the time I get to Phoenix” , and in 1968 re released his version of “Gentle” which reached number 8 on the Billboard Easy Listening chart. That same year the song itself won the category for Best Country & Western Song.

By mid 1968 the market was swamped with cover versions as every one and his dog wanted to get his version recorded. There were versions by Frank Sinatra , Patti Page , Dean Martin (1969), Aretha Franklin, (1969) and Elvis Presley (1969). Dean Martin's version reached number 2 on the UK Singles chart, and No 9 on Billboard's Easy Listening chart.

Lets hear Your version.