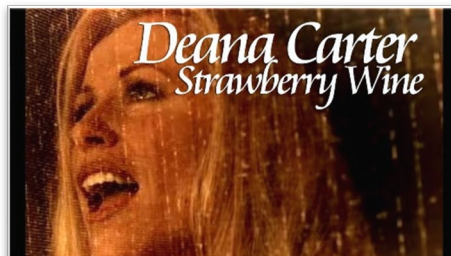


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Finding songs about wine and summer isn't quite as easy as one would think, and I've already covered the obvious ones, like Nancy Sinatra's Summer Wine. This month will be **Strawberry Wine**, a 90's country hit by **Deana Carter**. It was off her 1995 debut album, which in my mind had one of the best titles ever, "*Did I Shave My Legs for This?*". The album went 5X platinum and the single Strawberry Wine hit number one on the billboard country charts. Deana went on to record several other records and co-wrote the song, "You and Tequila" with Matraca Berg, which became a hit for Kenny Chesney. At 56 years old Deana is still touring but mostly in the Midwest and the east coast.

Now, for me, Strawberry Wine brings back memories of Boones' Farm Strawberry Hill wine and days of misspent youth, but that's another story. This song is a melancholy romp through memories of a young girl's first love and lover. The lyrics say it all. And enjoy the video. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Up06CryWQpE> And here is link to Deana singing her hit song as a duet with The Band Perry (8 years ago). [Deana Carter and The Band Perry - Strawberry Wine - YouTube](#)

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He was workin' through college On my grandpa's farm I was thirstin' for knowledge And he had a car Yeah, I was caught somewhere Between a woman and a child One restless summer We found love growin' wild On the banks of the river On a well beaten path It's funny how those memories they last Like strawberry wine and seventeen The hot July moon saw everything My first taste of love Whoa, bittersweet Green on the vine Like strawberry wine And I still remember When thirty was old My biggest fear was September When he had to go A few cards and letters And one long distance call We drifted away Like the leaves in the fall But year after year I come back to this place Just to remember the taste	Of strawberry wine and seventeen The hot July moon saw everything My first taste of love Whoa, bittersweet Green on the vine Like strawberry wine The fields have grown over now Years since they've seen a plow There's nothin' time hasn't touched Is it really him Or the loss of my innocence? I've been missin' so much Yeah Strawberry wine and seventeen The hot July moon saw everything My first taste of love Whoa, bittersweet And green on the vine Like strawberry wine and seventeen The hot July moon saw everything My first taste of love Oh, bittersweet Green on the vine Like strawberry wine Strawberry wine (Oh, oh) Strawberry wine
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