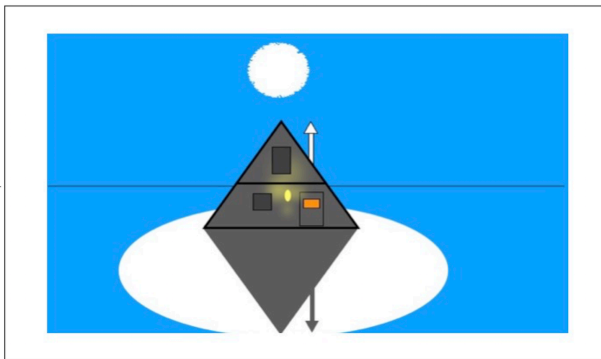


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The Happiness Blues



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Carry On

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Carry on, the sky isn't really falling,
Just stormy clouds up ahead, carry on.

Carry on, some apocalypse is always dawning,
So get up out of bed, and carry on.

Don't let your fears find a place to play,
When your teeth decide to leave your smile, too late to worry ...
The only time to stand your ground's right now today,
Sometimes the punches hurt, it's life so in other words ...

Carry on, carry on,
Can't change the past, can't know the future.
Carry on, and then carry on,
Pick yourself up - walk off the bruises.

Solo

Carry on, no zombies out in the garden,
So keep surrender out of reach, and carry on.

Carry on, Karma ain't gonna beg your pardon.
And the pits always come with the peach, so carry on.

Don't let your fears find a place to play,
When your teeth decide to leave your smile, too late to worry ...
The only time to stand your ground's right now today,
Sometimes the punches hurt, it's life so in other words ...

Carry on, carry on,
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Make My Day

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Answer my smartphone
It says, 'Good Morning' to me
Tells me I'm late in thirty - Oh, the joys of computing
I'm out of coffee
Smart Toaster-Oven's burning
The smoke alarm's not learning - all the toys need rebooting

Then suddenly all the bugs are gone
Message from baby - she's got coffee's on
Make the bed, get dressed and go ...
Knock on her door, and the words just flow.

Make my day, make it right
You chase the darkest clouds from the sky - yes you do
Without you my world would be tragic
What you do is some kind of magic
Take me by the hand, tell me I'm your man and make my day

break

Smart cars traffic
Wonder where we're all headed
Some future we've all dreaded, seems we're racing to get there
Survive the freeway
"Employee Pass Required"
Says my password's expired - about to slip into despair and

I hear her voice and the sun comes out
Me and my baby's what it's all about
We're takin' time, she's making plans
She's got my love and that's all she demands

Make my day, make it right
You chase the darkest clouds from the sky - yes you do
Without you my world would be tragic
What you do is some kind of magic
Take me by the hand, tell me I'm your man and make my day

Broken Maybes

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Maybe hearts can't see tomorrow
Maybe you're in need of time to set yourself free
Maybe there's comfort in the shadows
Maybe your afraid of what we both need

Maybe had your share of sorrow
Maybe broken hearts just need to reminisce
Maybe the pain lingers too long and
Maybe I can heal it with a kiss

The hurtin' is over, the damage is done
And girl, it's time to move on

(chorus)

Little by little i'm fallin' in love
And little by little you know it
Little by little just ain't good enough
And little by little I'll show it

Baby, forget all your broken maybes
Give your sweet lovin' to me

Maybe hearts can't see tomorrow
Maybe you're in need of time to set yourself free
Maybe there's comfort in the shadows
Maybe your afraid of what we both need

The hurtin' is over, the damage is done
And girl, it's time to move on

(chorus)

Baby, forget all your broken maybes
Give your sweet lovin' to me

Solo

(chorus)

Baby, forget all your broken maybes
Give your sweet lovin' to me

All I Can Say Is

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Been looking for the right words to speak my mind.
Don't even need a rhythm or a rhyme.
A little elementary not too refined,
To let you know I'm yours and you are mine.

Not looking for magical potions,
No primeval love spells,
Just want to you hear,
How dear you are to me.

Oh baby when I touch you,
We share something there's no denyin'.
Oh baby then you touch me,
And seal it with a kiss, all I can say is this,
It's love,
I'm in love.

Been looking for that most potent turn of phrase,
No ordinary words could ever say.
So honest a pronouncement in its own way,
So simple it just sweeps your heart away.

* Not looking for magical potions,
No primeval love spells,
Just want to you hear,
How dear you are to me.

* Oh baby when I touch you,
We share something there's no denyin'.
Oh baby then you touch me,
And seal it with a kiss, all I can say is this,
**It's love,
I'm in love.

Solo

* Repeat

A Little Dream with You Instead

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Early in the morning,
Should be rising, I'm still yawning,
Enchanted by a vision, I can't start my day.

Face just needs a washing,
Then a shower and some coffee.
But bedazzled by an image that won't fade away.

Chorus We were sailing on a sweet summer breeze,
 Savouring the glow of love's surrender.
 I held your hand and you turned to me,
 Promising delights I can't remember.

Now I should rise and shine, but I'm going back to bed,
Close my eyes and be with you instead.

Bedroom's getting brighter.
Though my head's still none the lighter.
If I just close my eyes, I can be on my way.

And I know where to find you,
Where appetites we can renew,
Where together we can break through this day-to-day.

Chorus We were sailing on a sweet summer breeze,
 Savouring the glow of love's surrender.
 I held your hand and you turned to me,
 Promising delights I can't remember.

Now I should rise and shine, but I'm going back to bed,
Close my eyes and be with you instead.

Solo / Repeat Chorus

tags Now I should rise and shine, but i'm going back to bed,
 Close my eyes and be with you instead
 Close my eyes and be with you instead
 Just a little dream with you again.

Makin' the Good Old Days

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the places and towns, sights and the sounds, faces that still reappear,
may be long gone, but they live on, images so crystal clear

we call them the good old days, were they really better,
were kisses much sweeter then, I can't really say

once made my home, out on the road, motels or somebody's sofa
bickering band, somehow i land, stranded in nowhere, dakota

we call them the good old days, were they really better
were kisses much sweeter then, I can't really say

(chorus)

let's start again you and I
light up the stars in our eyes
what's done is done, from this moment on
making the good old days

let's start again you and i
light up the stars in our eyes
let each reminisce begin with a kiss
making the good old days

can't tell you why, loves never die, through all the heartaches we
weather,
happier times, just spring to mind, the best we give of each other

we call them the good old days, were they really better
were kisses much sweeter then, I can't really say

(chorus)

solo

makin' the good old days
the best times never fade away
we're makin' the good old days
can't let them just slip away

This Waltz for You

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Shall we dance, it's been a while?
I know a waltz to bring a smile,
Leave all our missteps behind.
We can glide together across the Danube,
You and me, The Tennessee, The Carolina Moon.

(Chorus)

Trusting so in one another,
Step by step as we uncover,
Whatever the rhythm bestows.

Rise and falls we can weather,
Turn and slides we take together,
Slow step to quick step it flows.

Together it will be alright,
Three quarter time and hold on tight,
Let all discord fade away.
Moon River, The Last Waltz, to This Waltz for You,
We stumble on, step as one, spin on anew

Trusting so in one another,
Step by step as we uncover,
Whatever the rhythm bestows.

Rise and falls we'll take together,
Turn and slides we'll have to weather,
Slow step to quick step it flows.

(solo)

(Chorus)

(Tag ending)
From the top another refrain
Holding close we'll ever remain
One, two, three waltzing thru time, and
One, two, three waltzing thru time

Let's Dance Across the Universe

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Atop a mountain high,
Before the dawn.
I search the fading skies,
Wonder where you've gone.

I hear you calling,
Though you speak in whispers,
From some galaxy.

Is it truth?
Is it fantasy?

Shall we dance across the universe!
Let's dance beyond the Moon!
Let's dance beyond Mars!
Let's dance atop the Milky Way!

Let's fly!
Let's fly!
Let's fly away!

Let's dance beyond Mars!
Let's dance atop the Milky Way!

Let's fly!
Let's fly!
Let's fly away!

The Happiness Blues

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Got a roof overhead, when it's cold got me a nice warm bed,
Tell me why I sing instead these happiness blues.

The rent is paid but not my student loan
Someday maybe buy me a headstone
Standing here in traffic with my foot on the brakes
My dental plan don't cover toothaches,
Singin' the Happiness Blues.

Belly's full, baby's here, feel her heartbeat, when I hold her near.
Tell me how to dry her tears with these Happiness Blues.

We were once members of a middle class,
Three jobs now and need a bypass.
Entitlements and immigrants share the blame,
While Putin Makes US Great Again, and I
Sing the Happiness Blues

(chorus)

The sun is up, the skies are clear,
I got no holes in my shoes,
They say dream has disappeared, so I
Sing the Happiness Blues.

Dark outside, the lights come on, fridge is full and the wolves are gone,
Tell you why I slip headlong, into the Happiness Blues.

It's a criminal offence now to feed the poor
While city fathers hide theirs offshore
Congress tax-reformed war right off the books,
But 'We the People' are on the hook, so I
Sing the happiness blues.

(chorus + tag)

Yes, the Dream has disappeared, so I
Sing the Happiness ...
Sing the Happiness ...
Sing the Happiness Blues.

Love Lingers On

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I was just remembering the day that we met,
Surprised you let me walk you home.
Your daddy at the door, me wanting more,
But I knew the score.

I was just remembering that look in your eyes.
The day you let me take your hand.
How the seasons flew, our family grew,
That's what lovers do.

We have but life to live.
We have by love to share.
Through all life's ups and downs,
It's ours to rise above despair.

Whatever, whenever, you'll always be in my life.

We have but life to live.
We have but love to share.
Offering each night a simple, silent prayer,
That with every dawn, love lingers on.

Let the devil have his due.
He has no place with me and you.
If we have but just one life to live,
The love we share is ours to give.

Here we are the two of us still facing the sun,
As autumn's shadows start to fall.
Soon winter winds will start to blow,
bring my season to go.

(chorus)

Life's Many Promises

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Final set begins the stage awaits,
Out on the floor our eyes engage like lost soulmates,
Before closing time i'm asking for a date,
Not so wise, not so surprising.

Hit the road again it's time to go,
If she waits, I promise that we'll take it slow.
We have time, both of a mind, love can grow,
Goodbyes, bring on compromising,

Life's many promises,
So soon forgotten,
Scattered in the chase of life's possibilities.
Someday the sky will fall and take it all,
And cast our dreams to the heavens,
Remembered by the love we leave and our promises.

Rising off the tarmac, skies close in,
Off to parts unknown where i can start again,
Leave behind another 'what-might-have-been',
Say our goodbyes at 'Departures'.

Looking back I see where love went wrong,
Spent our precious time just chasin' down a song.
Distances soon grew and then before too long,
Life just carries on without her.

Life's many promises,
So soon forgotten,
Left shattered by the chase of life's possibilities.
Someday the sky will fall and break it all,
And cast our dreams to the heavens,
Remembered by the love we leave and our promises.

Someday the sky will fall, and take it all,
And cast our dreams to the heavens,
Remembered by the love we leave and our promises.

Bad Can't Be Good

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Bad can't be good
Worse never better
How did this road get so twisted

Childlike to jaded
Dreamer to cynic
Tried it my way but I missed it

Rolled the dice, took chances, lived life on the go
Felt the brass ring slip through my hands
Lord it feels we take on this world toe to toe
When faith itself is all it demands

Lasting not fleeting
Humble not heady
No castles built upon sand

break

Awake not sleeping
Steady not stumbling
Sometimes we just lose our balance

Rolled the dice, took chances, lived life on the go
Felt the brass ring slip through my hands
Lord it feels we take on this world toe to toe
When faith itself is all it demands

Lasting not fleeting
Humble not heady
No castles built upon sand
No castles built upon sand

Driving Up the 101

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I'm driving up the 101
San Diego born, but it's not home
Maybe tonight I'll reach the Golden Gate
El Camino Real my touchstone
On my own, I'm on my way
On my own, I'm on my way

I'm driving up the 101
Leaving traffic in LA & feeling blessed
San Fernando Valley how you've changed
El Camino Real I'm your guest
On my own, I'm on my way
On my own, I'm on my way

San Juan Capistrano, where the swallows play
Mission Santa Barbara, a lover's holiday

Driving up the 101
Driving up the 101, again
Driving up the One, Driving up the 101

solo

I'm driving up the 101
Missions along the coast are quite the sight
Where Channel Islands are afloat
El Camino Real got it right
On my own, I'm on my way
On my own, I'm on my way

San Luis Obispo, by Morro Bay
On to ol' Salinas, then Monterey

Driving up the 101
Driving up the 101, again
Driving up the One, Driving up the 101

"Start Again"

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trade winds keep'a blowing
rivers keep'a flowing
run along, keep running on, races never won

mother nature thriving
snow capped ranges rising
in the glow of what they know, golden in the setting sun

have you always been right here beside me
do appearances keep you in hiding

we can start again, wide awake, ever mindful
take me by the hand, never let me go

thunder keeps'a rolling
sunrises consoling
roll along, keep rolling on, rebirth reverie

running out of seasons
running out of reasons
holding out, keep holding on, but so far I fail to see

have you always been right here beside me
do appearances keep you in hiding

we can start again, wide awake, ever mindful
take me by the hand, never let me go

(solo)

have you always been right here beside me
do appearances keep you in hiding

we can start again, wide awake, ever mindful
take me by the hand, never let me go

have you always been right here beside me
do appearances keep you in hiding

Over & Over & Over Again

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It sounds like a song, I've played for so long
The bittersweet 'Great Pretender'
She was a prize, The light of my eyes
And I was the ranking contender
Then came that damn war, on some foreign shore
From bootcamp, goodbyes a weekender

Once we held each other so dear
We all have our stories to tell
Like the melodies
We still play in our hearts to remember

It sounds like a song, I wrote long ago
Words that would make me feel better
While most boys came home, untold etched in stone
She had moved on in a letter
Home wasn't the same, Main Street now fair game
K Street and Congress - offenders

Once we held each other so dear
We all have our stories to tell
Like the melodies
We still play in our hearts to remember

(chorus)

Over and over and over again,
It sounds like a song long ago
How we carry them,
Tarnished golden oldies of our lifetime

Over and over and over again,
Her shadow slips right through my hands,
As she fades away, hear her sing,
'Remember the good times.'

shinobue solo
(chorus)

My Love is You

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It isn't money gets me high
No neon lights can mystify

Nights on the town, days by the pool
Cocktail in hand, I'd look a fool

No corporate ladders I seek to climb
Seems from the heights compassion's blind

No racing cars, house on a hill
No, none of these give me a thrill

(bridge)

No, not all the stars that grace the skies
Can replace the love embraced in your eyes

(chorus)

My love is you
No, not name or fame, no passing flame
can set my heart a-reeling

My love is you
Who could want for more, mine to adore
and soar to heaven's ceiling

No mountain tops, no valley lows
No chocolates, no fine merlots

You didn't ask, but let me say
You're all I need to feel this way

(solo)

(bridge)

(chorus)