



Pokey LaFarge
In The Blossom of Their Shade

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LYRICS

Get It 'Fore It's Gone

(P. LaFarge / N. Africano)

Pokey LaFarge Publishing / Nicholas Johnson Africano Publishing Designee (BMI)

Pokey LaFarge - vocals, harmony vocals, electric guitar

Beau Sample - upright bass

Alex Hall - drums, percussion

Scott Ligon - organ, electric guitar

Lady Blackbird - harmony vocals

Woke up this mornin', whatchu think I do
Walk that line that lead me straight to you
Time is short but my journey's long
Yeah, I've gotta be movin' on

Chorus:

Gotta get it 'fore it's gone....

I'm gonna live life just like a butterfly
It's here today then kiss the world goodbye
Noon is breaking, I'm making my way
Don't throw shade on my sunny day

Chorus

You spend too much time locked up in that room
Worried about what you was gonna do
People are dying, friends are far away
Later is always too late, later is always too late...

Mi Ideal

(P. LaFarge / N. Africano)

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Pokey LaFarge - vocals, harmony vocals, acoustic guitar

Beau Sample - upright bass

Alex Hall - percussion, harmony vocals

Scott Ligon - electric guitar

Is your love slow and easy?
Are stars hidden in your hair
Oh, eyes of green
Agave eyes of blue

Estás salvaje, am I worthy of you?

Chorus:

Oh, mi mujer, mi mujer ideal

Oh, mi mujer, mi mujer ideal

Oh, mi mujer, mi mujer ideal

Dónde estas tú?

I'll play the moon like a drum

Pick my guitar like a piano

I'll take my voice

And like a horn

I'll sing a song for you the world has never known

Chorus

Are you even of this world?

Are you waiting around the corner?

Come and dance with me

Where the orange trees sway

Make siesta love in the blossom of their shade

Fine to Me

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Pokey LaFarge - vocals, electric guitar, harmony vocals

Beau Sample - upright bass

Alex Hall - drums, percussion

Scott Ligon - piano, electric guitar

Lady Blackbird - harmony vocals

Chris Seefried - electric bass

Paradise at my fingertips

And I ain't gonna let it go

You put a spring up in my step

And down the street I stroll

I got a new way of walkin', walkin'

A new way of talkin' too, talkin' too

A brand new song, up in my head

Because of you

I don't know much

But I know you ease my

Chorus:

T-R-O-U-B-L-E
That must be
What makes you
So-o f-f-f fine to me

(Watch me walk)
(Let's walk)

If I'm not honest with myself
I know that you'll be honest with me
You're the rock that I cling to
When there's a riptide in the sea

Lord knows I tried to stop you, stop you
Loving me like you do, like you do
But you, but you, but you
But you are just like superglue

I ain't seen much
But I see you ease my

Chorus

(Watch me walk)
(The street I stroll)

I know you want what's best for me
I know you always want what's best for me
And it feels so good, so good, so good
It's got to be alright
It's got to be alright

Chorus

Drink of You

(P. LaFarge / C. Seefried)

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Pokey LaFarge - vocals, acoustic guitar

Beau Sample - upright bass

Alex Hall - drums, percussion, vibraphone
Doug Corcoran - lap steel, piano
Scott Ligon - Hammond organ

Slammer your hammer and nails, boys
And seal up my tomb
Seeing what kind of prisoner am I
Inside this empty room

All of the girls I've loved before
Have changed their locks and closed the door

Chorus:
There's always something to drink about
There's always something to drink about
There's always something to drink about
When I drink of you

The lonely night feels right
With haunting memories
There's only desperate company
The drunken moon keeps

All of my friends are married with children
All I have is this time I'm killing

Chorus

The night owl threw in the towel
And fell down from his tree
A murder of crows was waiting below
To sing in harmony

It's easy to love you when you're gone
But when you're here everything feels wrong

Chorus

Rotterdam

(P. LaFarge)

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Pokey LaFarge - vocals, acoustic guitar
Beau Sample - upright bass
Joel Paterson - electric guitar

Scott Ligon - Hammond organ

Alex Hall - drums

Ruin comes to beauty, almost inevitably
And now this I see right here at home

In the U.S.A things get worse each day
I hope it's not too late to pack my things and go

But where I wanna be is not where you'd expect
They have a place for me down on Nieuwe Binnenweg

Chorus:

Is this real life or just the way I am
I long for The Netherlands
And I want to go, back
Back to Rotterdam

Never felt like a stranger, never felt in danger
Ever since I came here I only felt at peace

Back home some have to fight just to survive
Why do they have to die instead of living free?

I know someday the world will come to an end
And I'm going to watch it burn from in another land

Chorus

To Love or Be Alone

(P. LaFarge)

Pokey LaFarge Publishing (BMI)

Pokey LaFarge - vocals, harmony vocals, electric guitars

Beau Sample - upright bass

Alex Hall - drums, percussion

Scott Ligon - Hammond organ, piano

Can't tell the meaning in your eyes
Oh, but I mean to
Can't tell truth from lies
Tell me, can you?

Even God has secrets
Only Mother Nature knows

Time will always tell
I wonder if you ever will

Chorus:

To love or be alone, I ask of you
To love or be alone, I ask of you
To love or be alone, better take your time
To decide what is right
The heart is on the line

It's in our nature to cheat
Also to kill
It's inevitable
That one of us will

But we're not excused
From the choices we make
We deserve just what we get
For every heart we break

Chorus

Put your hand on your heart
Listen to the church bells ring
You put your heart in the Bible
And the choir sings

The next time you pray
Say one for me
I need all the help I can get
I don't think God is listening

Chorus

Long for the Heaven I Seek

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Pokey LaFarge - vocals, acoustic guitar

Beau Sample - upright bass

Alex Hall - drums, organ, vibraphone, harmony vocals

Scott Ligon - harmony vocals

Lady Blackbird - harmony vocals

I've been sent out like a sheep among wolves

Snakes on the trail, broken wings of a dove
I tried to push back the sunset and got burned
Light shines from the moon 'till darkness returned

I strain to hear Heaven's bells ring
I'm tired of waiting for the angels to sing

Chorus:

Oh Lord take me home
I want to go home
There's got to be a home for you and me
I am burdened by stress and I just want to rest
I'm lost in the shadows searching for peace
I long for the Heaven I seek
I long for the Heaven I seek

I'm standing still to keep from drifting away
But I sowed my seeds in a field of clay
I've been left stranded by the side of the road
And I become scattered every time the wind blows

My eyes are on you, I know right where you're at
But my body is in chains, the world is holding me back

Chorus

Killing Time

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Pokey LaFarge - vocals, electric guitar

Beau Sample - upright bass

Alex Hall - drums, harmony vocals

Scott Ligon - piano, harmony vocals

I made a tugboat fly, made a python crawl
I'm so cold, I turned summer into fall
Made the thunder sing, put lightning in a jar
Done everything there is to do, except go too far

Chorus:

I'm killing time, it ain't killing me
I'm killing time, it ain't killing me
When I die, you better second line

But for now
I'm killing time, it ain't killing me

Made the weak feel strong, kings look like fools
The teacher gave me straight A's, I didn't even go to school
I juggled sorrow like it was a toy
I lived the life of a hundred men, when I was still a boy

Chorus

I squeezed water from a turnip, lemonade from the sun
Fought a war on two fronts, didn't even have a gun
But I think I'll take it easy now, and cash in my chips
Kick up my feet, boys, and collect my tips

Chorus

Yo-Yo

(P.LaFarge / C. Seefried)

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Pokey LaFarge - vocals, electric guitar, harmony vocals

Beau Sample - upright bass

Alex Hall - drums, percussion

Scott Ligon - piano, nylon string guitar

Is this the last song
I will ever write for you
Just like a yo-yo
I hang on to your every word

One eye says you love me
The other says you hate me
One day you want to marry
The next you wish I was buried

Do you want me or not?
Do you want me or not?

I bought a ring
For the third finger on your left-hand
A Georgian rose-cut
Flower cluster with a gold band

Oh but if you won't accept that

I will have to take it back
So what is your decision, baby
Is that yes, no, or maybe

Do you want me or not?
Do you want me or not?

One eye says you love me
The other says you hate me
One day you want to marry
The next you wish I was buried

Do you want me or not?
Do you want me or not?

Goodnight, Goodbye (Hope Not Forever)

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Pokey LaFarge - vocals, acoustic guitar, harmony vocals

Beau Sample - upright bass

Alex Hall - drums, harmony vocals

Scott Ligon - piano, organ, electric guitar, harmony vocals

The night is over
Hope we see another day
Stay here and love me
Before it's too late

In our last borrowed hours
Tell me what we'd do
If we had more time
Together, me and you

You're the last face I'll see
The last voice I'll hear
Cheers to our memories
Hey, nothing says goodbye like a stiff drink and a tear
Baby

Chorus:

Goodnight, goodbye, hope not forever
Goodnight, goodbye, hope not forever
Goodnight, goodbye, hope not forever
Goodnight, goodbye, hope not forever

The night is over
It's no time to be alone
Could even be the end of
The world as we know

Stay here and love me
I'll love you just the same
We'll sing that one song
We may never sing again

If we're the last ones on Earth
The last voices we hear
Cheers to our memories
Hey, nothing says goodbye like a stiff drink and a tear

Chorus