DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN

TOM WAITS

(Capo 2nd Fret)

Am

DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA [2x]

Am

BLACK CELLOPHANE SKY AT MIDNITE
BIG BLUE MOON WITH THREE GOLD RINGS
I CALLED CHAMPION TO THE WINDOW
AND I POINTED UP ABOVE THE TREES
Dm

THAT'S WHERE I HEARD MY NAME IN A SCREAM COMING FROM THE WOODS, OUT THERE

Am

I LET MY DOG RUN OFF THE CHAIN

I LOCKED MY DOOR REAL GOOD WITH A CHAIR

\mathbf{Em}

DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA

Am

I SAID DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA

EVERETT LEE BROKE LOOSE AGAIN
ITS WORSE THAN THE TIME BEFORE
CAUSE HE'S HIGH ON POTATO AND TULIP WINE
FERMENTED IN THE MUDDY RAIN OF COURSE
A DRUNKEN WAIL A DRUNKEN TRAIN
BLEW THROUGH THE BIRDLESS TREES
OH, YOU'RE ALONE ALRIGHT
YOUR ALONE ALRIGHT
HOW DID I KNOW
HOW DID I KNOW

DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA

AN OLD BLACK TREE
SCRATCHING UP THE SKY
WITH BONEY, CLAW LIKE FINGERS
A RUSTY BLACK RAKE
DIGGING UP THE TURNIPS
OF A MUDDY COLD GREY DAY
SHINY TOOTH TALONS
COILED FOR GRABBING
A STRANGER HAPPENING BY

AND THE DAY WENT HOME EARLY AND THE SUN SUNK DOWN INTO THE MUCK OF A DEEP DEAD SKY

DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA
I SAID DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA

BACK SINCE SAGINAW CALINDA WAS BORN
IT'S BEEN COTTON, SOYBEANS, TOBACCO AND CORN
BEHIND THE PORTICOED HOUSE OF A
LONG DEAD FARM
THEY FOUND THE FALLING DOWN TIMBERS
OF A SPOOKY OLD BARN
OUT THERE LIKE A SLAVE SHIP
UPSIDE DOWN
WRECKED BENEATH THE WAVES OF GRAIN
WHEN THE RIVER IS LOW
THEY FIND OLD BONES AND
WHEN THEY PLOW THEY ALWAYS
DIG UP CHAINS

DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA
I SAID DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA

Am

DID YOU BURY YOUR FIRE?

YES SIR

DID YOU COVER YOUR TRACKS?

YES SIR

DID YOU BRING YOUR KNIFE?

YES SIR

DID THEY SEE YOUR FACE?

NO SIR

Dm

DID THE MOON SEE YOU?

NO SIR

DID YOU GO CROSS THE RIVER?

YES SIR

Am

DID YOU FIX YOUR RAKE?

YES SIR

DID YOU STAY DOWNWIND?

YES SIR

Εm

DID YOU HIDE YOUR GUN?

YES SIR

DID YOU SMUGGLE YOUR RUM? YES SIR I SAID

Am

HOW DID I KNOW HOW DID I KNOW

DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA
DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA
DON'T FORGET THAT I WARNED YOU
I SAID DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA
DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA
I SAID DON'T GO INTO THAT BARN, YEA

NO SHIRT NO COAT
PUT ME ON A FLAT BOAT
DOVER DOWN TO COVINGTON
COVINGTON TO LOUISVILLE
LOUISVILLE TO HENDERSON
HENDERSON TO SMITHLAND
SMITHLAND TO MEMPHIS
MEMPHIS DOWN TO VICKSBURG
VICKSBURG TO NATCHEZ
GOIN' DOWN TO NATCHEZ
PUT ME ON A FLAT BOAT
DOVER DAM TO COVINGTON,
COVINGTON TO LOUISVILLE,
LOUISVILLE TO
HENDERSON...

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