Capetown

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She sparkles like a diamond Look at all her people Look at them dance, look at them laugh Singing a song They make like happy children Wearing friendly faces Everyone knows, everyone knows they belong Where they belong

Capetown, Im drowning in your beauty Capetown, but my hearts not feeling nicely Capetown, angel black, white sin Capetown, there's a shadow on your mountain Capetown, there's a flaw in your sparkle Capetown, there's a crying at your crossroads Let me in, let me in, let me in

The rush of silky color The sound of Dixie Banjos Mongrel melodies in quarter tones Streets of Malay marchers Hatted in their feathers The lilt, the lilt of xhosa Saxophones, xhosa saxophones

Capetown, there's a hole at the heart of you A hole where district six used to be Capetown, now brown ghosts are dancing To be free, oh to be free Capetown, there's an island in your ocean Capetown, where black blood is running Capetown, hear the voices calling from your sea You belong to me, oh you belong to me,hmm

Tidy whitewashed houses Sprays of wild flowers The heart and soul of gentility The vineyards, and the orchards Warm white sandy beaches Old and graceful luxury

Capetown, they're squatting in your desert Capetown, in shanties made of plastic Capetown exiles in your homeland Capetown, struggling with your reason Capetown, holding back your madness Capetown, it's a bitter fruit you harvest Capetown, oh, oh Capetown, oh, oh Capetown Im drowning in your beauty Capetown, but my hearts not feeling nicely Capetown, angel black, white as sin