

# Wolves

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I was 15, still in the valley  
Walking in a parking garage  
First time I met a wolf in person  
At first I thought it was a dog  
I tried to dodge him, he was faster  
Than I'd ever had to be  
He smiled and howled in the same moment  
It knocked the wind right out of me

And though I got away  
I never walked the same

Now I bury my smile and show no interest  
Now I carry myself a little different  
Now I avoid the woods  
Now I know the wolves

I was 19, still fun at parties  
He plied me with shot after shot  
He assured me he was harmless  
Why did I ever trust a fox?  
I ignored all of my teachings  
How I survived, I can't believe  
I almost let him get his claws in  
Still knocks the wind right outta me

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Mmm, mmm

Saw a teenage girl on my street  
Talking tall to one of them  
Recognized him in an instant  
Heard about him from my friends  
Thank God women learned to whisper  
But I crave a megaphone  
That wolf said: "It's dangerous out there"  
That wolf said: "Let me walk you home"

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