

Love Song To A Stranger

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- A** **A7**
1. How long since I've spent a whole night
D
In a twin bed with a stranger
A **E**
His warm arms all around me?
A **A7**
How long since I've gazed in the dark eyes
D
That melted my soul down
A **E**
To a place where it longs to be?

C#m
All of your history
D
Has little to do with your face
Bm
You're mainly a mystery
D
With violins filling in space
A **E**
Hmmm-hmmm

2. You stood in the nude by the mirror
And picked out a rose
From the bouquet in our hotel
And lay down beside me again
And I watched the rose
On the pillow as it fell

I sank and I slept in a twilight
With only one care
To know that when day broke and I awoke
That you'd still be there
You'd still be there
3. The hours for once they passed slowly
Unendingly by
Like a sweet breeze on a field
Your gentleness came down upon me
And I guess I thanked you
When you caused me to yield

We spoke not a sentence
Took not a footstep beyond
Our two days together which seemingly
Soon would be gone
Soon would be gone
4. Don't tell me of love everlasting
And other sad dreams
I don't want to hear
Just tell me of passionate strangers
Who rescue each other
From a lifetime of cares

Because if love means forever
Expecting nothing returned
Then I hope I'll be given another
Whole lifetime to learn
Hmmm-hmmm

5. Because you gave to me oh so many things
It makes me wonder
How they could belong to me
And I gave you only my dark eyes
Which melted your soul down
To the place where it longs to be.