

## Jackie's Song

The Mutton Birds

A fine mess we're in Jackie  
A clearing in the bush  
The trees are all tangled up, and they're the wrong  
Shade of green

And the sap never stops running  
The leaves they never fall  
And the birds laugh like drunken garrison girls

Jackie I said I'd take you dancing  
Dancing bright and strong  
Jackie I said I'd take you dancing  
Jackie I said I'd take you dancing to your song  
Silver medals shining  
And the dust from a foreign road in your hair  
Jackie I said I'd take you dancing everywhere

We were told there was a dozen of them  
Runaways and injured men  
They weren't supposed to put up such a fight

Now who'd have thought blood would have  
So many colours  
Soaking the grass beneath you like all the others  
A Spreading stain on the swampy ground  
Till the next rain comes down

Jackie I said I'd take you dancing ...

Those old men singing back at home  
I'd like to bring them here  
Show them around, let them see what they have done

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