## **Japanese Restaurant Song**

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We went to a Japanese restaurant
The dogs, the kids, and me
Lose my cares
In a cup of plum wine
And salads from the sea
We tripped into the calm little

Room

With the sliding paper walls

Mom was wearin' her rose kimono

She was waiting for the fallJust another night

A day in the life
Just another foreign film

In black and white

When you mess with them

You're out of the realm of Zen

When they put on their party

Hats

The cook cracked, yeah yeah yeah The cook, he told me "Children not exactly well

Behaved"

I said, "Well, you can't have it all"

And really, who cares

When the magic plum wine

Is dancing on the paper walls?

Then your lover shows up

Puts a sweet hello on your lips

And you're transported

To the mist on the mountain

Till everyone runs in for the kissDon't you know

It's just another night

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The cook cracked, yeah yeah yeahDid that ever happen to you?As the wine descended My citizenship surrendered

And I became a geisha
I moved through the mystery
Dark and content
With an uppity feminist bent
Mr. Cook, don't you save my life
Don't you save my love
I am quite contented, yes, sir
The elders say
Kids are grown and gone
Someday
So let's enjoy the adventure
I'm sorry
But it's just another night

A day in the lifeWaitress, do you remember us?

As you can see, the situation is still a little out of control,

But I haven't had a cigaretteâ€"it's amazingâ€"in five years.

But you know, for five years, I've been very hungry.I'm sorry

But it's just another night and day

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