

Slow Boat to China

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Let's take a slow boat to China
Leave from South Carolina
Let's take our time and go the long way
On a junk boat to Thailand
With your hand in mine hand
We're sure hope we got something to say
Well, this old boat's go no sail
So won't you please hold our mail
For a while
But thanks anyway pal
But the Suez Canal
Ain't our style
Let's take a slow boat to China
And maybe we'll find a
New way to play those same old games
The stars just might show us
And the Captain will know us
Shake our hands and call us
By our first names
We'll send a postcard to Grandpa
Of a vase or rickshaw
He don't care
We'll buy Mom a Kimono
Or maybe we'll just phone her
When we're there
We'll drink Saki at night
Beneath the soft harbor lights
On the bay
We'll build house on the hill
Next to Shangrila Bill
And we'll stay
Let's take that slow boat to China
(Let's go)
Slow boat to China
(Real slow) Slow boat to China
(Let's go)
Slow boat to China
(Real slow) Let's go real slow
Let's go real slow
Let's go real slow
We get a slow boat to China
(Let's go)
Slow boat to China
(Real slow) Slow boat to China
(Let's go)
Slow boat to China
(Real slow) Let's go real slow
Let's go real slow

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