

# Pretend

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-artist: nat king cole

-peak billboard position #2 in 1953

-competing versions charted by ralph marterie (6) and eileen barton (#17)

-also charted by tab smith in 1957 (#89)

-also charted in 1959 by carl mann (#57)

-words and music by lew douglas, cliff parman, and frank lavere

Pretend you're happy when you're blue

It isn't very hard to do

And you'll find happiness without an end

Whenever you pretend

Remember anyone can dream

And nothing's bad as it may seem

The little things you haven't got

Could be a lot if you pretend

You'll find a love you can share

One you can call all your own

Just close your eyes, she'll be there

You'll never be alone

And if you sing this melody

You'll be pretending just like me

The world is mine, it can be yours, my friend

So why don't you pretend?

And if you sing this melody

You'll be pretending just like me

The world is mine, it can be yours, my friend

So why don't you pretend?

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