## **Rock Island**

## **Jethro Tull**

Savage night on a misty island Lights wink out in the canyon walls Two old boys in a stolen racer

Black rubber contrails in the unwashed hallsAnd all roads out of here

Seem to lead right back to the Rock Island

(Rock Island)I've come from here to Paris, London

And from riding on a Jumbo to Bombay

The long haul back holds faint attraction

But the people here know they're okaySee the girl following the red balloon

Walking all alone on the Rock Island

(Rock Island)Doesn't everyone have their own Rock Island?

Their own little patch of sand

Where the slow waves crawl and your angels fall

And you find you can hardly stand

And just as you're drowning well, the tide goes down

You're back on your Rock Island, Rock IslandHey there girlie with the torn dress, shaking

Who was it touched you? Who was it ruined your day?

(Rock Island)

Whose footprint calling card? And what they want

Stepping on your beach anyway?I'll be your life raft out of here

But you'd only drift right back to your Rock Island

(Rock Island)Hey boy with the personal stereo

Nothing 'tween the ears but that hard rock sound

Playing to your empty room, empty guitar tune

No use waiting for that C.B.S. to come around Cos all roads out of here

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Rock, Rock, Rock

Rock Island

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