

Mississippi Lady

Jim Croce

With just a sleeping bag and an old guitar, I left the band in New Orleans
I did some time with the bottle, some with the river queens
I never thought I would meet a girl who could turn my head around
Till I met that Mississippi Lady in sleepy Gulfport town
She was a Mississippi Lady, my lovin' Gulfport gal
She taught me how to love and she really loved me well
She took me up to heaven then she brought me down
That Mississippi Lady, Sweet Cordelia Brown
Hot July in Gulfport and I was working in the bars
And she was working on the street with the rest of the evening stars
She said, "I never met a guy who could turn my head around"
And that's really sayin' something for Sweet Cordelia Brown
She was a Mississippi Lady, my lovin' Gulfport gal
She taught me how to love and she really loved me well
She took me up to heaven then she brought me down
That Mississippi Lady, Sweet Cordelia Brown
Now I'm back in New York City playin' in a band
But my mind's on Mississippi, is it hard to understand?
I never thought I would meet a girl who could bring me that far down
Like the girl I met in Gulfport, Sweet Cordelia Brown
She was a Mississippi Lady, my lovin' Gulfport gal
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