

Sketches Of China

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He's stronger by talk than by sight

 But by sight he'll know you

You buy him a ride he'll know you

 Somebody's bound to lead you

Sooner or later you're bound to go You don't even know what this man feels like

 And he doesn't care, doesn't care if you think you know

 Somebody's bound to lead you

 If that man got a smile on his face

 Sooner or later you're bound to go

 Bound to go Let me tell you bout a man I knew

 He roamed the depth and the breadth of China

 On a horse that he grew himself

 From the bark of a tree on mainland China

 And he had a time, yeah he had the time of his life in China

He carried strife and harmony to all the people on the mainland, yes he did And there was a warlord who rode
 the murky depths of China

 With a shotgun in his hand, and he wondered where the people had gone to

 Have you got the time to listen while I sing this song

I had the time to listen to the man go right and wrong and right through China And it ain't what you want, it's
 what you need

 No it ain't what you want, it's what you need

 And I'd rather be here than yesterday

It ain't what you want, it's what you need And there was a lady she rolled around in town in China

 And there was a lady she rolled and rolled

 And she killed a war, she made the warlord rise in time

She sat him down, took him down, and she laid him out for just one more round Drunk in a beautiful garden
 celebration

 Here comes the Khan, storm the palace, look for Alice

Rising Oriental girl diving back for just one more pearl And it ain't what she wants, it's what she needs

 She don't want your sound, she wants your country

 And I'd rather be next year than on the way to Bombay

 Oh, it ain't what you want, it's what you need

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