

# Sing Australia

**John Denver**

I come to Australia as many people do  
To see the old koala, hitch a ride on a kangaroo  
To hear somebody call me mate and call somebody blue  
To hear the Aborigine play a didgeridoo  
Some of you came as prisoners two centuries ago  
Some of you come as kings and queens your blessing to bestow  
Some of you stand all swelled with pride, some with shattered wings  
But all of us come with open hearts to hear Australia sing  
In the desert, in the city, in the mountains and in the sea  
In the stories and in the people, I can hear Australia sing  
Waltzing Matilda, the men of Galipoli  
Clancy of the Overflow, Crocodile Dundee  
The myth of all creation, the teaching of baiame  
The legends of a dream time for all eternity  
And in this celebration of a brief two hundred years  
The cost to build a nation in blood and sweat and tears  
And if we stand divided, divided we will fall  
But if we stand together we shall conquer all  
In the desert, in the city, in the mountains and in the sea  
In the stories and in the people, I can hear Australia sing  
Sing Australia, sing Australia, sing Australia, sing Australia  
In the sails on Sydney harbor, I can hear Australia sing

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