

# House In Virginia

**Brendan Benson**

House in Virginia We'd love to see you, Emma  
Red velvet chairs for you to sit on, Emma  
Blue cobalt teacups every shape, every size  
Your favorite designs White flawed enamel pots  
And a place on the shelf for everything you've got  
When are you coming to stay?  
Say that you'll never go away Porch swings and everything  
Your favorite pets, they're everywhere  
Willow trees and a cool breeze  
Lemonade, freshly squeezed Sun-thickened linseed oil  
Is studio equipped for brooding  
Alcohol and turpentine  
Somehow you find it soothing She stands at the full length  
Admiring herself in her grandmother's hat  
She says, when she gets her strength  
She's flying away and she's never coming back  
I am done, I am done, I am done, I'm undone

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