House In Virginia

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House in VirginiaWe'd love to see you, Emma
Red velvet chairs for you to sit on, Emma
Blue cobalt teacups every shape, every size
Your favorite designsWhite 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 awayPorch swings and everything
Your favorite pets, they're everywhere
Willow trees and a cool breeze
Lemonade, freshly squeezedSun-thickened linseed oil
Is studio equipped for brooding
Alcohol and turpentine
Somehow you find it soothingShe 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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