I Am An Ape

St. Vincent

In a garden, stands a statue†Of the man who won the war
His expression, tender yearning
Ev'ry nation near and far
Oh sad and ancient father
Sweet as honey, tough as leather
Running down the hill on Christmas day

I am an apeâ€"I stand and wait
A masterpieceâ€"a hairy beast
I move so fastâ€"but take a chance
And come up closeâ€"I'm not a ghost

Navigator, when you wake up†And you step outside your door Shoes and pantiesâ€"washed and folded†Taking o your dirty clothes

This garden tells a story

Amber close up, faded glory

Running through the streets on Christmas day

I am an apeâ€"I stand and wait A masterpieceâ€"a hairy beast Try not to laughâ€"just take a chance I visitedâ€"inside your head

If you trespassâ€"in this gardenâ€! To a place you should not go If you step out, from the shadowsâ€! See the city far below

I am an apeâ€"I stand and wait A masterpieceâ€"a hairy beast No need to hideâ€"come on inside I will not lastâ€"I too shall pass

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