French Perfume

Great Big Sea

It's of a bold young smuggler

From Fortune he did sail

He rode the waves from St. Pierre

And never saw the jailHe filled her up with contraband

Perfume, smokes and rum

He hoped the fog was thick enough

To make another run[Chorus:]

You can still see the sight

On a winter's night

Of his wake in the light of the moon

If the wind turns right

If you don't take fright

You can smell that French perfumeBut the Mountie boat was waiting

As he crawled near Mortier Bay

And when they hit the spotlight

It was like the light of dayHe didn't bring her head round

When they told him to heave to

He opened up the engines

And he ran for Spanish Room[Chorus] They said they heard him laughing

With the Mounties closing in

His engines screaming murder

And his face set in a grinThe seagulls started lifting

Like an angry banshee choir

He hit the rocks at 50 clicks

And the sky lit up with fireIt's of of a bold young smuggler

From Fortune he did sail

He rode the waves from St. Pierre

And he never saw the jailAnd when it's cold and foggy

On the rocks near Spanish Room

They say you hear him laughing

And you smell that French perfume [Chorus (2x)]

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