## **Madam George**

## Van Morrison

Down on Cyprus Avenue, with a childlike vision leaping into view

Clicking, clacking of the high heeled shoe

Ford and Fitzroy, Madame George

Marching with the soldier boy behindHe's much older with hat on drinking wine

And that smell of sweet perfume comes drifting through

The cool night air like Shalimar

And outside they're making all the stops

The kids out in the street collecting bottle topsGone for cigarettes and matches in the shops

Happy taken Madame George, that's when you fall

Whoa, that's when you fall, yeah, that's when you fall

When you fall into a tranceA sitting on a sofa playing games of chance

With your folded arms and history books you glance

Into the eyes of Madame George and you think you found the bag

You're getting weaker and your knees begin to sagIn the corner playing dominoes in drag

The one and only Madame George

And then from outside the frosty window raps

She jumps up and says, "Lord, have mercy, I think it's the cops" And immediately drops everything she gots

Down into the street below and you know you gotta go

On that train from Dublin up to Sandy Row

Throwing pennies at the bridges down below And the rain, hail, sleet and snow

Say goodbye to Madame George

Dry your eye for Madame George

Wonder, why for Madame George? And as you leave, the room is filled with music

Laughing, music, dancing, music all around the room

And all the little boys come around, walking away from it all

So cold and as you're about to leave

She jumps up and says, "Hey love, you forgot your gloves"

And the gloves to love to love the glovesTo say goodbye to Madame George

Dry your eye for Madame George

Wonder, why for Madame George?

Dry your eyes for Madame George

Say goodbye in the wind and the rain on the back streetIn the backstreet, in the back street

Say goodbye to Madame George

In the backstreet, in the back street, in the back street

Down home, down home in the back street, gotta goSay goodbye, goodbye, goodbye

Dry your eye, your eye, your eye, your eye

Say goodbye to Madame George

And the loves to love to love the love, say goodbye

Ooh, mmmSay goodbye, goodbye

Goodbye to Madame George

Dry your eye for Madame George

Wonder, why for Madame George? The love's to love the, love's to love the, love's to love

Say goodbye, goodbye, get on the train

Get on the train, the train, the train

This is the train, this is the trainWhoa, say goodbye, goodbye

Get on the train, get on the train

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