Against the Grain

The Country Dance Kings

Folks call me a maverick
Guess I ain't too diplomatic
I just never been the kind to go along
Just avoidin' confrontation

For the sake of conformationAnd I'll admit I tend to sing a different song

But sometimes you just can't be afraid

To wear a different hat

If Columbus had complied

This old world might still be flatNothin' ventured, nothin' gained

Sometimes you've got to go against the grain

Well, I have been accused

Of makin' my own rules

There must be rebel blood

Just a-runnin' through my veins

But I ain't no hypocrite

What you see is what you get

And that's the only way I know

To play the game

Old Noah took much ridicule

For building his great ark

But after forty days and forty nights

He was lookin' pretty smart

Sometimes it's best to brave the wind and rain

By havin' strength to go against the grain

Well, there's more folks than a few

Who share my point of view

But they're worried

If they're gonna sink or swim

They'd like to buck the system

But the deck is tacked against 'em

And they're a little scared

To go out on a limb

But if you're gonna leave your mark

You can't follow like a bunch of sheep

You got to listen to your heart

Go bustin' in like old John Wayne

Sometimes you got to go against the grain

Nothin' ventured, nothin' gained

Sometimes you've got to go against the grain

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