On the Road to Fairfax County

The Roches

Oh, once I loved an outlaw
He came and stole my heart
Oh, how I count the hours
Since we were torn apartOn the road to Fairfax County
I spied a highwayman
He wanted all my money
My heart beat like a drumI gave him all my money
And sweet he smiled at me
His beauty I took pity
Beneath the black oak treeWe kissed but for an hour
The sun was newly warm
The clouds were as the flowers
That bloom but for a mornHe gave back all my money
And bowed most gallantly
He promised for to meet me
That night beneath the treeWe'd flee to some far island
And there we would be wed
And freely we would live there
With no price upon his headThat night I went to meet him
With my inheritance
He kissed me 'neath the half moon
And joyful we did danceOh, love betrays all secrets
It whispers in the breeze
The Sheriff, he did follow
With all his deputiesLike hounds rushing to slaughter
The fox whose luck is run
And he stood erect and cursed them
God damn you every oneThey seized him in a fury
And heeding not my pleas
They hung him from the oak tree
Where he made love to meOhh, once I loved an outlaw
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