

# Chestnut Mare

## The Byrds

Always alone  
Never with a herd  
Prettiest mare I've ever seen  
You'll have to take my word I'm going to catch that horse if I can  
And when I do I'll give her my brand Well I was up on Stony Ridge  
After this chestnut mare, been chasing her for weeks  
Oh I'd catch a glimpse of her every once in a while  
Taking her meal, bathing, fine lady  
This one day I happen to be real close to her  
And I saw her standing over there  
So I snuck up on her nice and easy  
Got my rope out  
And I flung it in the air! I'm going to catch that horse if I can  
And when I do I'll give her my brand  
And we'll be friends for life  
She'll be just like a wife  
I'm going to catch that horse if I can And I got her and I'm pulling on her  
And she's pulling back like this mule going up a ladder  
And I take a choice and I jump right up on her  
Damned if I don't land right on top of her  
And she takes off, running up onto the ridge  
Higher than I've ever been before  
She's running along just fine  
'Til she stops and something spooked her  
It's a sidewinder, all coiled and ready to strike  
She doesn't know what to do for a second  
But then, she jumps off the edge, me holding on Above the hills, higher than eagles were gliding  
Suspended in the sky  
Over the hill  
Straight for the sun we were riding  
My eyes were filled with light  
Behind those black walls  
Below was a bottomless canyon  
Floating with no sound  
Ghosts far below  
Seemed to be suddenly rising  
Exploding all around I'm going to catch that horse if I can  
And when I do I'll give her my brand  
And we'll be friends for life

She'll be just like a wife  
I'm going to catch that horse if I can  
We were falling  
Down this crevice  
About about a mile down it seem  
And I looked down  
And I see this red thing below us coming up real fast  
And it's our reflection that's  
This little pool of water about six feet wide and one foot deep  
And we're falling down right through it  
We hit, we splashed it dry  
That's when I lost my hold  
And she got away  
But I'm gonna try and get her again some day  
I'm going to catch that horse if I can  
And when I do I'll give her my brand  
And we'll be friends for life  
She'll be just like a wife  
I'm going to catch that horse, I'm going to catch that horse, I'm going to catch that horse, if I can

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