

The Willow Maid

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A young man walked through the forest
with his quiver and hunting bow
he heard a young girl singing
and followed the sound below
there he found the maiden
who lives in the willow
he called to her as she listened
round a ring of toadstools red
come with me my maiden
come from thy willow bed
she looked at his serenely
and only shook her head

see me now
a ray of light in the moondance
see me now
I cannot leave this place
hear me now
a strain of song in the forest
don't ask me
to follow where you lead

a young man walked through the forest
with a flower and coat of green
his love had hair like fire
her eyes and emerald sheen
she wrapped herself in beauty
so young and so serene
he stood there under the willow
and he gave her the yellow bloom
girl my heart you've captured
oh I would be your groom
she said she'd wed him never
not near, nor far, nor soon

see me now
a ray of light in the moondance
see me now
I cannot leave this place

hear me now
a strain of song in the forest
don't ask me
to follow where you lead

a young man walked through the forest
with an axe sharp as a knife
I'll take the green eyed fairy
and she shall be my wife
with her I'll raise my children
with her I'll live my live
the maiden wept when she heard him
when he said he'd set her free
he took his axe and used it
to bring down her ancient tree
now your willow's fallen
now you belong to me

see me now
a ray of light in the moondance
see me now
I cannot leave this place
hear me now
a ray of light in the moondance
don't ask me
to follow where you lead

she followed him out the forest
and collapsed upon the earth
her feet had walked but a distance
from the green land of her birth
she faded into a flower
that would bloom for one bright eve
he could not take from the forest
what was never meant to leave

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