Not a Pretty Girl

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I am not a pretty girl,

That is not what I do.

I ain't no damsel in distress,

And I don't need to be rescued. So, so put me down punk.

Wouldn't you prefer a maiden fair?

Isn't there a kitten stuck up a tree somewhere?

I am not an angry girl, But it seems like I've got everyone fooled.

Every time I say something they find hard to hear,

They chalk it up to my anger,

And never to their own fear. Imagine you're a girl,

Just trying to finally come clean,

Knowing full well they'd prefer you were dirty...

And smiling. And I am sorry,

But I am not a maiden fair,

And I am not a kitten, stuck up a tree somewhere.

Generally my generationWould never be caught dead working for the man.

And generally I agree with them,

Trouble is you got to find yourself an alternate plan.

And I have earned my disillusionment, I have been working

All of my life.

And I am a patriot.

I have been fighting the good fight. And what if there are no damsels in distress?

What if I knew that, and I called your bluff?

Don't you think every kitten

Figures out how to get down, Whether or not you ever show up?

I am not a pretty girl.

Don't really want to be a pretty girl.

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