Marvelous Clouds

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I'm the son of the wild swan of Flanders
Who sail on the river of dreams
My mother the swan has left me and gone
My home's the banks of the streamIn the marvelous clouds sail by, marvelous clouds
Aloft in the soft, summer sky, marvelous cloudsI've seen all the lovers and always
I've heard every promise at dawn
I spent too much time just standing in line
To be told I shouldn't belongAnd the marvelous clouds sail by, marvelous clouds
Aloft in the soft, summer sky, marvelous cloudsI've looked in the eyes of your heroes
As they sailed from far, distant lands
The mud on their uniforms, mud on their boots
Blood on their faces and handsIn the marvelous clouds sail by, marvelous clouds
Aloft in the soft, summer sky, marvelous cloudsMy father, the king of the mountain
Looks down and watches his child
Come home, says he, if you hate what you see
You're young and the country is wildBut I'll stay and I'll wait for the canons
And the drums to stop drumming my ears
Is it too late, mankind, if you run out of time
It's a matter of days or just yearsIn the marvelous clouds sail by, marvelous clouds
Aloft in the soft, summer sky, marvelous clouds
Marvelous clouds, marvelous clouds

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