

The Dreaming Tree

Dave Matthews Band

Standing here the old man said to me
"Long before these crowded streets
Here stood my dreaming tree"
Below it he would sit for hours at a time
Now progress takes away what forever took to find And now he's falling hard he feels the falling dark
How he longs to be beneath his dreaming tree
Conquered fear to climb a moment froze in time
When the girl who first he kissed promised him she'd be his Remembered mother's words there beneath the tree
"No matter what the world, you'll always be my baby"
Mommy come quick the dreaming tree has died
The air is growing thick a fear he cannot hide
The dreaming tree has died Oh have you no pity?
This thing I do I do not deny it
All through this smile as crooked as danger
I do not deny I know in my mind I would leave you now if I had the strength to
I would leave you up to your own devices
Will you not talk? Can you take pity?
I don't ask much but won't you speak please? From the start she knew she had it made
Easy up 'til then for sure she'd make the grade
Adorers came in hordes to lay down in her wake
Gave it all she had but treasures slowly faded Now she's falling hard feels the fall of dark
How did this fall apart? She drinks to fill it up
A smile of sweetest flowers, wilted so and soured
Black tears stain the cheeks that once were so admired She thinks when she was small there on her father's knees
How he had promised her "You'll always be my baby"
"Daddy come quick the dreaming tree has died
I can't find my way home, there is no place to hide
The dreaming tree has died" Shake, shake, shake, shake If I had the strength to
I would leave you up to your own devices
Will you not talk? Can you take pity?
I don't ask much but won't you speak please? [Incomprehensible] much time Take me back, take me back, take
me back
Take me back, take me back, take me back
Take me back, save me please, take me back

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