

# Outlaw Pete

Bruce Springsteen

Outlaw Pete...He was born a little baby on the Appalachian Trail  
At six months old he'd done three months in jail  
He robbed a bank in his diapers and his little bare baby feet  
All he said was "Folks, my name is Outlaw Pete."I'm Outlaw Pete!  
I'm Outlaw Pete!

Can you hear me?At twenty-five a mustang pony he did steal  
And they rode around and 'round on heaven's wheel  
Father Jesus, I'm an outlaw, killer and a thief  
And I slow down only to sow my griefI'm Outlaw Pete!  
I'm Outlaw Pete!

Can you hear me?He cut his trail of tears across the countryside  
And where he went, women wept and men died  
One night he woke from a vision of his own death  
Saddled his pony and rode her deep into the West  
Married a Navajo girl and settled down on the res  
And as the smoke fell he held that beautiful daughter to his chestI'm Outlaw Pete!  
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Can you hear me?  
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Can you hear me?Out of the East on an Irish stallion came Bounty Hunter Dan  
His heart quickened and burdened by the need to get his man  
He found Pete peacefully fishing by the river, pulled his gun and got the drop  
He said, "Pete, you think you've changed, but you have not."  
He cocked his pistol, pulled the trigger and shouted, "Let it stop!"  
He drew a knife from his boot and pierced Dan through the heart  
Dan smiled as he lay in his own blood dying in the sun  
And whispered in Pete's ear, "We cannot undo these things we've done."You're Outlaw Pete!  
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Can you hear me?For forty days and nights Pete rode and did not stop  
Till he sat high upon an icy mountain top  
He watched a hawk on a desert updraft slip and slide  
Moved to the edge and dug his spurs deep into his pony's sideSome say Pete and his pony vanished over the  
edge  
Some say they remain frozen high upon that icy ledge  
The young Navajo girl washes in the river, skin so fair  
And braids a piece of Pete's buckskin chaps into her hairOutlaw Pete!  
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