Cortez The Killer

Matthew Sweet

He came dancing across the water
With his galleons and guns
Looking for the new world
And the palace in the sunOn the shore lay Montezuma
With his coca leaves and pearls
In his halls he often wandered
With the secrets of the worldsAnd his subjects gathered round him
Like the leaves around a tree
In his clothes of many colors
For the angry gods to seeAnd the women all were beautiful
And the men stood straight and strong
They offered life in sacrifice
So that others could go onNow hate was just a legend
And war was never known
People worked together
And they lifted many stonesThey carried them to the flatlands
But they died along the way
And they built up with their bare hands
What we still can't do todayAnd I know she is living there
And she loves me to this day
I can't remember when
Or how I lost my wayHe came dancing across the water
Cortez, Cortez, what a killer

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