## On Top of Old Smokey

## **Harry Belafonte**

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All covered with snow

I lost my true lover

For a courting to slowYes courting's a pleasure

And parting is grief

And a false hearted lover

Is worse than a thiefShe'll kiss you, she'll hug you

And tell you more lies

Than the cross ties on a railroad

Or the stars in the skyLet me tell you 'bout my baby

She's like bad brandy wine

The first time I kissed her

She drove me out my mindShe's a Baltimore special

Got a fine brown frame

When you see her in motion

Evil woman is her nameDid I tell you 'bout the Eastman

Lord what a shame

He run off with my baby

And scandalized my nameWell I went up on a mountain top

To call my baby back

She was gone with that Eastman

Down that lonesome railroad trackIf I ever see that Eastman

I'll shoot him with my gun

I'll cut him with my long Jones

And dare that pimp to runLittle Liza, little Liza

I couldn't sleep last night

Come on back home baby

Everything will be all rightLet me tell you, let me tell you

I don't care what you say

If my woman ever comes back

I'll give my life awayIf you ever see a dark cloud

A-rollin' in the sky

It's my woman gone to heaven

With a tear drop in her eyeOn top of old Smokey

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