

# Down By The River

Albert Hammond

City life was getting us down so we spent a weekend out town  
Pitched our tent on a patch of ground down by the river  
Lit a fire and drank some wine you put your jeans on top of mine

I said: Come in

The water's fine Down by the river

Down by the river

Down by the river Said: Come in the water's fine down by the river

Didn't feel too good all night

So we took a walk in the morning light

And came across the strangest sight down by the river

Silver fish lay on its side it was washed up by the early tide

I wonder how it died? Down by the river

Down by the river

Down by the river, silver fish lay on its side The doctor put us both to bed

He doosed us up and he shook his head

Only foolish people go

He said

Down by the river

The mighty willows weep

Said he Because they're dying gradually

From the waste from the factories Down by the river

Down by the river

Down by the river The mighty willows weep, said he down by the river And in time the riverbanks will die

The reeds will wilt and the ducks won't fly

There'll be a tear in the otter's eye down by the river

The banks will soon be black and dead

And where the otter raised his head

Will be a clean

White skull instead Down by the river

Down by the river

Down by the river, the banks will soon be black and dead Down by the river

Down by the river

The banks will soon be black and dead, down by the river

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