

Badu Erykah**"Appletree"**

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I'd like to dedicate this to all of the Creator's righteous children.

I have some food in my bag for you.

Not that edible food -- the food you eat?

No. I have some food for thought.

Since knowledge is infinite it has infinitely fell on me.

So umm...

It was a stormy night

you know the kind where the lightning strike

and I was hangin' out wit some of my "artsy" friends

ooh wee ooh wee ooh

The night was long the night went on

people coolin' out until the break of dawn

incense was burnin' so I'm feelin right -- ah'ight

See I picks my friends like I pick my fruit

& Ganny told me that when I was only a youth

I don't go 'round trying to be what I'm not

I don't waste my time trying ta get what you got

I work at pleasin' me cause I can't please you

and that's why I do what I do

My soul flies free like a willow tree

doo wee doo wee do wee

And if you don't want to be down with me

You don't want to pick from my appletree

And if you don't want to be down with me

Then you don't want to pick from my appletree

And if you don't want to be down with me

Then you don't want to pick from my appletree

And if you don't want to be down with me

You just don't want to be down

I have a ho

and I take it everywhere I go

Cause I'm planting seeds

so I reaps What I sow -- ya know

Oh on & on & on & on

my cipher keeps movin' like a rollin' stone

I can't control the soul flowin' in me

ooh wee

See I picks my friends like I pick my fruit
& Ganny told me that when I was only a youth
I don't walk around trying to be what I'm not
I don't waste my time trying ta get what you got
I work at pleasin' me cause I can't please you
and that's why I do what I do
My soul flies free like a willow tree
doo wee doo wee do wee

And if you don't want to be down with me,
You don't want to pick from my appletree [x3]
And if you don't want to be down with me
You just don't want to be down

Oh my my my
Oh my my my
Oh my my my ahh
Oh my my my my my my my
Ohh

I picks my friends like I pick my fruit
& Ganny told me that when I was only a youth
I don't walk around trying to be what I'm not
I don't waste my time trying ta get what you got
I work at pleasin' me cause I can't please you
and that's why I do what I do
My soul flies free like a willow tree
doo wee doo wee do wee

And if you don't want to be down with me
You don't want to pick from my appletree
And if you don't want to be down with me
You dum dum diddy
And if you don't want to be down with me
You don't want to pick from my appletree
And if you don't want to be down with me
You just don't want to be down
You just don't want to be down
Ohh you just don't want to be down
Down, down, down
You just don't want to be down
Ohh
You just don't want to be down
down [x15]
wanna be down
no oh no
You just don't want to be down
no no no
You just don't want to be down

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