

Elvira Madigan

"Long Journey Home"

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(composed: elvis costello/paddy moloney)

If on every ocean the ship is a throne

And for each mast cut down another sapling is grown

Then I could believe that I'm bound to find

A better life than I left behind

But as you ascend the ladder

Look out below where you tread

For the colors bled as they overflowed

Red, white and blue

Green, white and gold

So I had to leave from my country of birth

As for each child grown tall

Another lies in the earth

And for every rail we laid in the loam

There's a thousand miles of the long journey home

But as you ascend the ladder

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