

## Elvis Costello "I'll Wear It Proudly"

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I hate these flaming curtains. they're not the color of  
your hair  
I hate these striplights. they're not so undoing as your  
stare  
I hate the buttons on your shirt when all I wanna do is  
tear  
I hate this bloody big bed of mine when you're not here

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And nail my feet up where my head should be  
If they had a 'King of Fools', then I could wear that  
crown  
And you can all die laughing because I'll wear it  
proudly

Well, you seem to be shivering, dear, and the room is  
awfully warm  
In the white and scarlet billows that subside beyond the  
storm  
You have this expression dear, no words could take its  
place  
And I wear it like a badge that you put all over my face

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I'll wear it proudly through the dives and the dancehalls  
If you'll wear it proudly through the snakepits and  
catcalls  
Like a fifteen-year old kid wears a vampire kiss  
If you don't know what is wrong with me  
Then you don't know what you've missed

We are arms and legs wrapped 'round more than my  
memory tonight  
When the bell rang out and the air outside turned blue  
from fright  
But in shameless moments, you made more of me than

just a mess  
And a handful of eagerness says, "What do you  
suggest?"

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