

Ethel Waters

"Shake That Thing"

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Down in Georgia, got a dance that's new,
Ain't nothin' to it, it's easy to do,
Called "Shake That Thing,"
Oh, shake that thing!
I'm gettin' sick and tired of telling you to shake that
thing!

Now, the old folks start doin' it, the young folks, too,
But the old folks learn the young ones what to do,
About shakin' that thing,
Ah, shake that thing!
I'm gettin' sick and tired of telling you to shake that
thing!

Now, Grandpapa Johnson grabbed Sister Kate,
He shook her like you shake jelly on a plate,
How he shook that thing,
Oh, he shook that thing!
I'm gettin' sick and tired of telling you to shake that
thing!
Why, there's old Uncle Jack, the jellyroll king,
He's got a hump in his back from shakin' that thing,
Yet, he still shakes that thing,
For an old man, how he can shake that thing!
And he never gets tired of tellin' young folks: go out
and shake that thing!

Now, it ain't no Charleston, ain't no Pigeon Wing,
Nobody has to give you no lessons, to shake that thing,
When everybody can shake that thing,
Oh, I mean, shake that thing!
I'm gettin' tired of telling you how to shake that thing!
Oooh, oooh, with this kind of music, who wouldn't
shake that thing?

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