

Bruce Cockburn

"Don't Have To Tell You Why"

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don't want to be on no rooftop
frying in the afternoon sun
don't want to sit by no fountain
listening to the man-made stream run
just want to stand where the sea-spray
gleams like fire with you
and i don't have to tell you why.

don't want to go to no parties
full of fair-weather friends
don't want to be in no "in" crowd
chasing after every trend
just want to stand on some hillside
in Wales with you
and fly -- don't have to tell you why.

don't want to live in no mansion
ornate as a crown prince's church
don't want to live on no sidewalk
underneath no pigeon's perch
just want to stand at the rainbow's
REAL end with you
and i don't have to tell you why.

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