

## **Jimmy Buffett**

# **"Diamond As Big As The Ritz"**

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Hidden in the mountains  
Under the earth and stone  
A cubic mile of perfection  
Treasure no one has known  
One man came upon this mother lode  
Built himself a thousand room chateau

He's the emperor of diamonds  
Master of the prize  
He's got the hold on happiness  
And all that money can buy  
Everyday he lives in fascination  
This is not an everyday temptation, no

It's the diamond as big as the Ritz  
What you gonna do with this  
Tell me who's goin' to save you  
When you're a slave to the  
Diamond as big as the Ritz

A blessing can become a curse  
If you keep it to yourself  
our own exaggeration  
Is not so good for your health  
It's the prophecy of the unattainable dream  
If you take one look behind the shine  
It doesn't always gleam

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(Diamond. Diamond. Diamond. Diamond. Diamond)  
Coal under pressure (Diamond)  
Sparkle of treasure (Diamond)  
Crystalline measure (Diamond)  
On a mental pleasure (Diamond)

In the corner of your eye (Diamond)  
Make a grown man cry (Diamond)  
All the seeds you've sown (Diamond)

Greed can crumble your castle walls  
Greed can purchase you thrills  
Power is a dangerous drug  
It can maim, it can kill  
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