

Jimmy Buffett

"Oysters And Pearls"

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Lindbergh left Long Island in 1927
Thumbed his nose at gravity
And climbed into the heavens.
When he returned to earth that night everything
changed,
For the pilot and the planet, everything was
rearranged.

We're a pretty mixed up bunch
Of crazy human beans
It's written on our rocket ships
And in early cave wall scenes.

How does it happen,
How do we know,
Who sits and watches
Who does the show?

[Chorus:]
Some people love to lead
And some refuse to dance.
Some play it safely, other take a chance.
Still it's all a mystery
This place we call the world
Where most live as oysters
While some become pearls.

Elvis was the only man from Northeast Mississippi
Who could shake his hips and still be loved by
rednecks, cops and hippies.
It's something more than DNA that tells us who we are
It's method and it's magic, we are of the stars.

[Chorus]
Some never fade away, some crash and burn
Some make the world go round, other watch it turn.
Still it's all a mystery
This place we call the world.
Most are fine as oysters
While some become pearls

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