

Judy Collins

"Dark Eyes"

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Oh, the gentlemen are talking
And the midnight moon is on the riverside
They're drinking up and walking
And it is time for me to slide

I live in another world
Where life and death are memorized
Where the earth is strung with lover's pearls
And all I see are dark eyes

A cock is crowing far away
And another soldier's deep in prayer
Some mother's child has gone astray
And she can't find him anywhere

But I can hear another drum
Beating for the dead that rise
Whom nature's beast fears as they come
And all I see are dark eyes

They tell me to be discreet
For all intended purposes
They tell me revenge is sweet
And from where they stand, I'm sure it is

But I feel nothing for their game
Where beauty goes unrecognized
All I feel is heat and flame
And all I see are dark eyes

Oh, the French girl, she's in paradise
And a drunken man is at the wheel
Hunger pays a heavy price
To the falling gods of speed and steel

Oh, time is short and the days are sweet
And passion rules the arrow that flies
A million faces at my feet
And all I see are dark eyes

