

## Loudon Wainwright Iii

### "The Acid Song"

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You wanna hear the acid song??

I had not taken acid for twelve years,  
But one night, last summer, I did.  
I was adrift in a barroom,  
Acting like a jerk and a kid.  
I knew we were asking for trouble--  
trouble is what we would get!  
Five of us dropped in the girl's room,  
Psychodelisized in sin quintet.  
Well that bathroom got crowded in no time,  
Our minds were all blown in one flash!  
Everyone in there got ugly,  
We exited out of there fast!  
Back in the bar, we were happy,  
Feeling great, no problem.  
Back in the bar, we were FINE!!!  
'Til Johnny turned into a Nazi,  
And Mary threw up all her wine.  
Well in no time we all were ejected,  
Soon we were out on the street.  
The sidewalk began to perspire,  
We had glass and dog shit at our feet.  
We went over to Mary's apartment,  
"C'mon!!!"  
To listen to the Grateful Dead.  
On the way there we lost Johnny,  
He had opted for Belview instead.  
Man, I'm glad we did this; this feels great. Just like the  
old days-- I love this. I know my hair's on fire. It's like  
incense or  
something. You know, your face is melting; it is! It's all  
the colors  
of the rainbow. Hey, you wanna hold some fruit?  
C'mon, hold some  
fruit!! It breathes; it really does! Have a cantelope,  
c'mon! Huh, no  
I don't know where the Donovan tape is.  
Well I had to get out of that city,  
Bobby was bringing me down!!!  
Me and my darling young Susie,

Said so long and drove out of town.  
Driving on acid's easy.  
Driving on acid's a breeze.  
Just keep the car on the highway.  
Don't laugh, and don't fart, and don't sneeze.  
Well we got to my house in the country, the country,  
man.  
The trees were all throbbing and green.  
Susie was sure she had cancer.  
I was sure I was James Dean.  
We went down to the lake to go swimming,  
C'mon, let's try that!  
Down to the lake for a swim!  
Susie said water cures cancer.  
I asked her to please call me Jim!  
Yes, acid is usually dangerous,  
the mild-mannered can quickly turn mean!  
LSD can surely derange us,  
unless you possess thorazine.  
So next time you wanna go out there,  
when you feel like fitting your head.  
Think twice before dropping acid--  
hold out for mushrooms instead!!!

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