

## **Marianne Faithfull "Down From Dover"**

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I know this dress I'm wearing doesn't hide the secret I  
have tried concealing  
When he left he promised me that he'd be back by the  
time it was revealing  
The sun behind a cloud just casts the crawling shadow  
o'er the fields of clover  
And the time is running out for me I wish that he would  
hurry down from Dover

He's been gone so long when he left the show was  
deep upon the ground  
And I have seen a spring and summer pass and now  
the leaves are turning brown  
And any time a tiny face will show itself 'cause  
waiting's almost over  
But I won't have a name to give it if he doesn't hurry  
down from Dover

My folks weren't understanding when they found out  
they sent me from the home place  
My daddy if folks found out he'd be ashamed to ever  
show his face  
My mamma said I was a fool and she did not believe it  
when I told her  
That everything would be all right 'cause soon he would  
be coming down from Dover

I loved him more than anything and I could not refuse  
him when he needed me  
He was the only one I'd loved and I just can't believe  
that he was using me  
He couldn't leave me here like this I know it can't be so  
it can't be over  
He wouldn't make me go through this so long, oh he'll  
be coming down from Dover

My body aches the time is here it's lonely in this place  
where I'm lyin'  
Out baby has been born but something's wrong it's  
much too still I hear no cryin'  
I guess in some strange way she knew she'd never  
have a father's arms to hold her

And dying was her way of telling me he wasn't coming  
down from Dover

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