

# Nat King Cole

## "Pretend"

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-artist: nat king cole  
-peak billboard position #2 in 1953  
-competing versions charted by ralph marterie (6) and eileen barton (#17)  
-also charted by tab smith in 1957 (#89)  
-also charted in 1959 by carl mann (#57)  
-words and music by lew douglas, cliff parman, and frank lavere

Pretend you're happy when you're blue  
It isn't very hard to do  
And you'll find happiness without an end  
Whenever you pretend

Remember anyone can dream  
And nothing's bad as it may seem  
The little things you haven't got  
Could be a lot if you pretend

You'll find a love you can share

One you can call all your own  
Just close your eyes, she'll be there  
You'll never be alone

And if you sing this melody  
You'll be pretending just like me  
The world is mine, it can be yours, my friend  
So why don't you pretend?

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You'll be pretending just like me  
The world is mine, it can be yours, my friend  
So why don't you pretend?

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