

Nick Cave

"Rye Whiskey"

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Jack of Diamonds, Jack of Diamonds, I know you most
of all

You've robbed my poor pockets of silver and gold

And whiskey, you villain, you've been my down fall

You've cuffed and you've kicked me but I loved you of
old

Oh, whiskey, rye whiskey, whiskey, I cried

If I don't get rye whiskey I surely will die

Well, I go yonder mountain and build me a still

And I send you a gallon for a five dollar bill

Well, it's beefcake when I'm hungry, whiskey when I'm
dry

And it's greenbacks when I'm hard off and hell when I
die

I said, "Whiskey, rye whiskey, whiskey", I cried

"If I don't get rye whiskey I surely will die"

If the sea were made of Whiskey and I was a duck

I'd swim to the bottom and never come up

Oh, but the sea ain't made of Whiskey and I ain't a duck

So I'll play Jack of Diamonds and trust on my luck

I said, "Whiskey, rye whiskey, whiskey", I cried

"If I don't get rye whiskey I surely will die"

I said, "Whiskey, rye whiskey, whiskey", I cried

"If I don't get rye whiskey I surely will die"

Ohh, if I don't get rye whiskey I surely will die

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