

## **Solo Mano**

### **"Proud Mary"**

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I know a lot of you folks  
Would like to know what  
The old Proud Mary is all about  
Well, I'd like to tell you about her  
She's nothing but a big old boat

You see, my forefathers  
Used to ride the bottoms of her  
As stokers, cooks, and waiters  
And I made a vow that when I grew up  
I'd take a ride on the old Proud Mary

And if you'd let me  
I'd like to sing about it

Looking for a job in the city  
Working for the man  
Every night and day

And I never lost  
One minute of sleep  
Worrying about the way  
Things might have been

Big wheels keep on turning  
Proud Mary keep on burning  
Y'all just rolling, rolling  
Rolling on the river

Been a lotta places like Memphis  
And I had a lot of fun  
Down in New Orleans

And I never saw  
The good side of the city  
Til I took the ride  
On a river boat queen

Big wheel keep on turning and  
Old Proud Mary keeps on burning  
Y'all just rolling, rolling

Rolling on the river

Can't you see I'm now  
Just rolling, rolling  
Rolling on the river

If you come down to the river  
Bet you gonna find  
The people who live

You don't have to worry  
If you don't have no money  
People on the river  
Are happy and funny

Big wheels just keeps on turning  
And the Proud Mary  
Keeps on burning, burning  
Rolling, rolling, y'all just  
Rolling down the river

Come on, y'all  
Look at her just rolling  
Kind of easy like

I know some of you never seen  
A big boat like the Proud Mary  
But I just want you to imagine  
In your mind that we're standing  
All down by the dock of the bay

And here we go, here she comes  
Clear in view, watch her now  
Everybody, rolling, rolling  
Rolling down the river

I just want you to help me  
Just rolling, ooh...

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