

Merle Haggard "Proudest Fiddle In The World"

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After leavin' the Wills' home that day

Merle was so moved he just sat and stared silently at the fiddle for a long time

Finally he said wish this fiddle could talk

Then he said on second thought

What if that fiddle that's in the Hall of Fame

The one he played on San Antonio Rose could just talk What a story it could tell

And Merle said I think if I were that fiddle this is what I'd say

Who I am and what I was I'm sure the whole world knows

Why I'm the great Bob Wills fiddle that played on San Antonio Rose

But I lay here now in the Hall of Fame a show piece that no one plays

And my tone that used to thrill the dancin' crowds is gone with the good ole days

I wish my strings could just talk and tell my story to all the passin' fans

Boy I'd I'd even like to rear back and play a break down But I can't do it without the master's hands
Yeah I was part of something great and I know it
I even played on the Old Brown Skin Girl
Tho my strings are old and dusty now
I'm still the proudest fiddle in the world

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