

## Eric Bachmann "Man O' War"

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Floating in the cold water the ghosts of sorrow haunt the deep

Reaching down to drag the ruins and roam the lone deserted streets

Of an old abandoned temple buried in the narrow strait Off the coast of Tarifa, Spain

Gypsies scatter through the desert across the Atlas Mountain Range

Hoaring remnants from the Devil from the Empires iron reign

While cluttered down the mouths of rivers widowed lovers bathe and clean

Silken scarves embroidered for their brand new Queen

And every time she rises up the ocean sinks Her memory drags a drape of a thousand angry stings

And like the moon doesn't mind if the sun doesn't shine

The sea doesn't care if you're lonesome tonight Like the love that she gives condescendingly tries In its way to comfort you

Set adrift into her swarm-man o war Caught up in her dangling sting-off the shore Of a foreign brown sand beach as blue as bottles cover you

Many messengers and rebels have come and gone without a trace

And many more will come tomorrow and many more will be erased

Cause out beyond the docks of Rota upon the bottom of the sea

Along the miles of copper cable from the Gulf of Cadiz

They tap the lines to hear the sounds that start the songs the rebels sing

And drag a net to seine the bottom for the purse the bastards bring

And like a lion don't mind if a lamb takes her time
A beast doesn't care if you surrender tonight
Cause a beast knows she'll get what she wants in good
time
What she wants all in good time

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