

## Robert Earl Keen

### "Black Baldy Stallion"

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Slidin' down the canyon on the Black Baldy Stallion  
Through the rocks and the ridges of the cold dark night  
Shinin' like a diamond from the belt of Orion  
Is it your imagination, is the end in sight?

From the top of the mountain to the edge of the water  
You can hear her singin' softly so you spring to the  
order  
Of the song she was singin' the first time you saw her  
The years melt away as you ride toward the border.

Such a long, long way to ride  
Just to hear her say your name  
When you reach the other side  
You won't leave her again.

It's a resonating wonder how you've never knuckled  
under  
To the Elders of the village on that early Easter mornin'  
Cause you never broke your promises and bonding her  
is all there is  
Ridin' through the river in the fiery dawnin'.

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(Guitar solo)

Sittin' in the cafe on the corner of the plaza  
She's openin' the letter you could not deliver  
As the Black Baldy Stallion riderlessly passes  
Gleamin' in the sun drippin' water from the river

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