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## Robert Earl Keen "Front Porch Song"

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This old porch is just a big ol' red and white Hereford bull

Standin' under a mesquite tree in Agua Dulce, Texas He just keeps on playin' hide and seek with that hot August sun

He's sweatin' and a pantin' 'cause his work is never done

Oh no, he got them cows and that red top cane

This old porch is just a steamin' greasy plate of enchiladas

With lots of cheese and onions, guacamole salad You can get them at the lasalle hotel in old downtown With iced tea and a waitress who will smile everytime, yeah she will

I left a quarter tip on my ten dollar bill

This old porch is a palace walk in on a main street in Texas

It ain't never seen or heard the days of G and R's and X's

And that '62 poster that's almost faded down And a screen without a picture since giant came to town

Oh no, I love them junior mints and them red hots too, yes I do, oh yeah

This old porch is just a weathered gray haired seventy years of Texas

He's doin' all he can not to give in to the city And he always takes my rent late so long as I run his cattle

He picks me up at dinner time, I listen to him rattle

He says, "The Brazos still runs muddy like she's run all along

There ain't never been no cane to grind, the cotton's all but gone"

You know this Chevrolet pickup truck, hell she was somethin' back in '60

Now there won't nobody listen to him 'cause they all think he's crazy

This old porch is just a long time of waiting and forgetting

Remembering the coming back, not crying about the leaving

And remembering the falling down and the laughter of the curse of luck

From all those son's of bitches who said, "We'd never get back up"

This old porch is just a big old red and white Hereford bull

Standing under a mesquite tree out in Agua Dulce He keep's on playing hide and seek with that hot August sun

He's sweating and a panting 'cause his work is never done

Oh no, I've know a whole lot of bulls in my life and there work is never done

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