

## **Robert Earl Keen**

# **"Gringo Honeymoon"**

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We were standin' on a mountain top  
Where the cactus flowers grow  
I was wishin' that the world would stop  
When you said we'd better go

We took a rowboat 'cross the Rio Grande  
Captain Pablo was our guide  
For two dollars in a weathered hand  
He rowed us to the other side

CHORUS:

And we were dreamin' like the end was not in sight  
And we dreamed all afternoon  
We asked the world to wait so we could celebrate  
A gringo honeymoon

We stepped out onto the golden sand  
The sun was high and burning down  
Rented donkeys from an old blind man  
Saddled up and rode to town

Tied our donkeys to an ironwood tree  
By the street where the children play  
We walked in the first place we could see  
Servin' cold beer in the shade

CHORUS:

We were drinkin' like the end was not in sight  
And we drank all afternoon  
We asked the world to wait so we could celebrate  
A gringo honeymoon

Met a cowboy who said that he  
Was running from the DEA  
He left a home, a wife, a family  
When he made his getaway

We followed him on down a street of dust  
To his one room run-down shack  
He blew a smoke ring and he smiled at us  
I ain't never goin' back

CHORUS:

We were flyin' like the end was not in sight  
And we soared all afternoon  
We asked the world to wait so we could celebrate  
A gringo honeymoon

He said there's one last place that you should go  
He took us to the town's best bar  
He knew a crusty caballero  
Who played an old gut string guitar

And he sang like Marty Robbins could  
Played like no one I've known  
For a while we knew that life was good  
It was ours to take back home

CHORUS:

We were singin' like the end was not in sight  
And we sang all afternoon  
We asked the world to wait so we could celebrate  
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