

## **Sufjan Stevens**

### **"No Man's Land"**

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Up in the highest of heights, O'Hara blinks and fights  
This land is yours, this land is mine  
I see the captain in red and Cairo at his head  
This land is yours, this land is mine

The lightning over the park, the waters, brash and dark  
We take a swim, we take a swim  
I never meant to escape the carpet and the trade  
This land is yours, this land is mine

And when I make up my mind, I change it all the time  
I take it back, I take it back  
The numbers over the dam, Jo Davies and the band  
I count them out, I count them out

There was a car in the bay, by the boat that swept and  
swayed  
Whoever you are in the light, in the water that we made  
I'm counting it out, I'm counting it out, I'm working it out  
Inside, I'm counting it out from the floor

The ferry hatches Moline, Panola Beauty Queen  
She takes a bow, she takes a bow  
In Charles, we climb the hill and Danville window sill  
I take it back, I take it back

My sister she counts the bars, the Macon county cars  
She takes a bow, she takes a bow  
The Mississippi amends, the Carver and the bends  
This land is yours, this land is mine

My brother punches my ear, the injured ivory deer  
I call my dad, I call my dad  
We skip inside of the store, the Mason winter door  
This land is yours, this land is mine

There was a car in the bay, by the boat that swept and  
swayed  
Whoever you are in the light, in the water that we made  
I'm holding your hand by the shore with our collars  
pulled up tight  
I'm counting it out, I'm counting it out, I'm working it out

inside

I'm counting it out, I'm counting it out, I'm working it out  
inside  
I'm counting it out

This land is not your land, for the right hand  
Takes what it can, ransacks with the mad man  
For this land is not yours or mine to have  
This land was made for the good of itself

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