

## The Coasters

### "Run Red Run"

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Poison Ivy

Artist: The Coasters (peak Billboard position # 7 in 1959)

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(Thought by some to not be about a plant at all, but rather a young lady with a social disease)

She comes on like a rose but everybody knows  
She'll get you in Dutch  
Now you can look but you better not touch

Poison iv-y-y-y-y, poison iv-y-y-y-y  
Late at night while you're sleepin' poison ivy comes  
a'creepin'  
Arou-ou-ou-ou-ou-ound

She's pretty as a daisy but look out man she's crazy  
She'll really do you in  
Now if you let her under your skin

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Late at night while you're sleepin' poison ivy comes  
a'creepin'  
Arou-ou-ou-ou-ou-ound

Measles make you bumpy  
And mumps'll make you lumpy  
And chicken pox'll make you jump and twitch  
A common cold'll fool ya  
And whooping cough'll cool ya  
But poison ivy, Lord'll make you itch!!

You're gonna need an ocean of calamine lotion  
You'll be scratchin' like a hound  
The minute you start to mess around

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