

## **The Hold Steady**

### **"The Bear And The Maiden Fair"**

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A bear there was  
A bear, a bear  
All black and brown  
And covered in hair

Three boys, a goat  
And a dancing bear  
They danced and spun  
Up to the fair

Oh! sweet she was  
And pure and fair  
The maid with honey  
Up in her hair

He smelled her all  
On the summer air  
The maid with honey  
Up in her hair

From there to here  
From here to there  
All black and brown  
And covered in hair

He smelled that girl  
In summer air  
The bear, the bear  
And maiden fair

Oh I'm a maid  
And I'm pure and fair  
I'll never dance  
With a hairy bear

I called the knight

But you're a bear  
All black and brown  
And covered in hair

From there to here  
From here to there  
All black and brown  
And covered in hair

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