

Tom Paxton

"Katie"

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Oh, I have a little daughter, and my daughter's name is
Kate.

And she's every bit mischievous as a kitten on a skate.
With a bandage on her forehead and the bruises on
her knees,

You would swear she'd fought with buccaneers on all
the seven seas.

For its up the stairs and down the stairs and in the
room and out.

Like a miniature tornado, she can blow the house
about.

Take an angel with the devil in the twinkling of her eye,
And that's my Katy, little lady, and I love her.

Now you might have heard of miracles, you might
believe in saints,

But you'd never believe my Katy when she's playing
with her paints.

For there's red upon the window and there's green
upon her face,

On the wall, In her hair, but on the paper, not a trace.

When she's in her room and quiet, and there comes a
little calm,

You develop the sensation that you're sitting on a
bomb.

Take an angel with the devil in the twinkling of her eye,
And that's my Katy, little lady, and I love her.

My Katy loves her games, you know, and thirty times a
week,

I find myself dragooned into a game of hide-and-peek.

So I found myself in closets, under beds I quietly
creep,

And I wait for thirty minutes till my brain has gone to
sleep.

Yes I sit there in the closet and it seems like half a day,
Till I find a friend has come to call and Kate's gone out
to play!

Take an angel with the devil in the twinkling of her eye,
And that's my Katy, little lady, and I love her.

Now, you might have heard of daddies who would dote

upon their girls,
Who get wrapped around their fingers by the tossing of
the curls,
Who respond to hugs and kisses till there's nothing
they wouldn't do,
Don't you ever believe a word if it, it simply isn't true.
For I'd only jump the moon for her, I'd only jump the
sea,
For the hugs I get to give her and the kisses she gives
to me.
Take an angel with the devil in the twinkling of her eye,
And that's my Katy, little lady, and I love her.

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