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## **Tom Waits** "Wrong Side Of The Road"

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Put a dead cat on the railroad tracks When the wolf bains Bloomin' by the tressel And get the eyeball of a rooster And the stones from a ditch And wash 'em down with bilge water And you say, "You'll never snitch"

Take the buttons from a yellow jacket The feather from a buzzard The blood from a bounty hunters cold black heart Catch the tears of a widow In a thimble made of glass Tell your mama and your papa They can kick your ass

Poison all the water in the wishin' well And hang all them scarecrows From a sycamore tree Burn down all those honeymoons Put 'em in a pillow case And wait next to the switch blades At the amusement park for me

Strangle all the Christmas carols Scratch out all your prayers Tie 'em up with barbed wire And push them down the stairs And I'll whittle you a pistol For keepin' nightmares of your blinds Them son of a bitches always Seem to sneak up from behind

Syphon all the gas From your daddy's pickup truck Fill up Johnny's T-bird I got a couple of bucks Put a little perfume And ribbon in your hair Careful that you don't wake up the hounds

Tear a bolt of lightnin'

Of the side of the sky And throw it in the cedar chest If you want to tell me why Bring the gear shift knob from a 49 Merc And lay down here beside me Let me hold you in the dirt

You're gonna tremble Tear the throat out of the night Sink your teeth into my shoulder Dig your nails into my back Tell that little girl to let go of my sleeve You'll be a woman when I catch you Come baby, fall in love with me

With my double barrel shotgun And a whole box of shells We'll celebrate the fourth of July We'll do 100 M.P.H. Spendin', someone else's dough And we'll drive all the way to Reno On the wrong side of the road

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