

China My China

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song: china my china

album:taking tiger mountain (1974)

**B**

**G#/F**

**G#-E** 4 times)

In the haze of the morning, China sits on eternity

**B**

**G#/F**

And the opium farmers sell dreams to obscure fraternities

**F#**

**A**

**G#**

On the horizon the curtains are closing

**B**

**G#/F**

Down in the orchard, the aunties and uncles play their games

**G#**

**E**

**G#**

**E**

(Like it seems they always have done)

**B**

**G#/F**

In the blue distance, the vertical offices bear their names

**G#**

**E**

**G#**

**E**

(Like it seems they always have done)

**F#**

**A**

**G#**

Clocks ticking slowly, dividing the day up.

**B**

These poor girls are such fun,

**G#/F**

They know what God gave them their fingers for

**G#**

**E**

**G#**

**E**

(to make percussion over so-los) [typing percussion]

**B**

**G#/F**

China, my China, I ve wandered around and you re still here

**G#**

**E**

**G#**

**E**

(Which I guess you should be proud of)

**B**

Your walls have enclosed you,

Have kept you at home for thousands of years

**G#**

**E**

**G#**

**E**

(But there s something I should tell you)

**F#**

**A**

**G#**

All the young boys, they are dressing like sailors.

**B**

I remember a man who

**G#/F**

Jumped out from a window over the bay

**G# E G#**

**E**

(There was hardly a raised eyebrow)

**B**

The coroner told me,

**G#/F**

This kind of thing happens every day.

**F#**

**A**

**G#**

You see, from the Pagoda, the world is so tidy.

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