

The Way I Am

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Capo 2

[Intro]

E A E A B

[Verse 1]

Wish I were down on some blue bayou,

With a bamboo cane stuck in the sand.

E
D
A
 But the road I m on, don t seem to go there,
E
B
E
 So I just dream and keep on being the way I am.

[Verse 2]

Wish I enjoyed what makes my living,

Did what I do with willing hands.

Some would run, oh but that ain t like me,

So I just dream and keep on being the way I am.

[Chorus]

The way I **A** am, don t fit my **E** shackles,

B **E**
The way I am, reality.

I can almost see that bobber dancing,

So I just dream and keep on being the way I am.

[Instrumental]

E A E A E E7

[Chorus]

A **E**
The way I am, don t fit my shackles,

B **E**
The way I am, reality.

I can almost see that bobber dancing,

E So I just dream and keep on being the way I am. **B** **E**

E **B** **E** **A**
I just dream and keep on being the way I am.
E **A** **E** **A**
Yodelaaaaaay, Yodel Oh del ayeeeeeee (to fade)