## Great Lakes Song Pat Dailey

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The Great Lakes Song - Performed by Pat Dailey
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F Dm

The Great Lakes are a diamond on the hand of North America

Bb (

Brightly shining jewel on the friendship bordering

7 Dm

Freshwater highway coming down from Canada

Bb C F

All along the shoreline, you can hear them sing

chorus:

? Dm.

Sweet mother Michigan, father Superior

Bb C

Coming down from Mackinac and Sault St. Marie

F Dm

Blue water Huron, Flow down to Lake Erie-O

Bb C F

Fall to Ontario and run on out to sea

F Dm

Hearty are the seamen on the ships that load the iron ore

Sb .

Sailing out of Thunder Bay and bound for Buffalo

Hearty are the fishermen just like their fathers were before

Bb C F

Say they 11 bury me at sea come my time to go

(chorus)

Dm

Oh the tales the sailors spin of mermaids singing in the wind Bb

C

the sinking of the Bessemer, the drowning of the crew Dm

Memories of waters crossed of women won and fortunes lost Bb

C

Are etched upon their faces and their faded old tatoos

Dm

Bb

Down below the quarter decks the old men mend the fishing nets F

C

Up above the windy bridge the young men curse into the wind Dm

Bb

All along the winds of straits(?) the wives and mothers lie awake F

C

Pray on lady of the lake to send them home again

(chorus)
(chorus)