

Martha  
Tom Waits

[Intro]

C# G#7 C# G#7 Bbm G# F# F#  
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[Verse 1]

C# G#7 C# G#7 Bbm G# F# F#  
Operator, number please, it s been so many years  
C# G#7 C# G#7 Bbm G# F# F#  
Will she remember my old voice while I fight the tears?  
C# Bb7 Ebm G#7 C# Bb7 Ebm G#7  
Hello, hello there, is this Martha? This is old Tom Frost  
C# Bb7 Ebm G#7 Bbm G# F# F#  
And I am calling long distance, don t worry about the cost  
C# Bb7 Ebm G#7 C# Bb7 Ebm G#7  
Cause it s been fourty years or more now, Martha, please recall  
C# Bb7 Ebm G#7 Bbm G# F# F#  
And meet me out for coffee where we ll talk about it all, and

[Chorus]

C# C# F# F# C# C# F#  
Those were days of roses, of poetry and prose  
F# Bbm Bbm F# F# Ebm G# C# F#  
And Martha, all I had was you, and all you had was me  
C# C# F# F# C# C# F#  
There was no tomorrows, we packed away our sorrows  
F# Bbm Bbm F# G# C# F# C#  
And we saved them for a rainy day

C# G#7 C# G#7 Bbm G# F# F#

[Verse 2]

C# G#7 C# G#7 Bbm G# F# F#  
And I feel so much older now, you re much older too  
C# G#7 C# G#7 Bbm G# F#  
F#  
How s your husband, and how s your kids? You know that I got married too  
C# Bb7 Ebm G#7 C# Bb7 Ebm G#7  
Lucky that you found someone to make you feel secure  
C# Bb7 Ebm G#7 Bbm G# F# F#  
Cause we were all so young and foolish, now we are mature, and

[Chorus]

C# C# F# F# C# C# F#  
Those were days of roses, of poetry and prose  
F# Bbm Bbm F# F# Ebm G# C# F#  
And Martha, all I had was you, and all you had was me  
C# C# F# F# C# C# F#

There was no tomorrows, we packed away our sorrows

F# Bbm Bbm F# G# C# F#

And we saved them for a rainy day

C# G#7 C# G#7 Bbm G# F# F#

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[Verse 3]

C# G#7 C# G#7 Bbm G# F# F#

And I was always so impulsive, I guess that I still am

C# G#7 C# G#7 Bbm G# F# F#

And all that really mattered then was that I-- was a man

C# Bb7 Ebm G#7 C# Bb7 Ebm G#7

I guess that our being together was never meant to be

C# Bb7 Ebm G#7 Bbm G# F# F#

Martha, Martha, I love you, can t you see? And

[Chorus]

C# C# F# F# C# C# F#

Those were days of roses, of poetry and prose

F# Bbm Bbm F# F# Ebm G# C# F#

And Martha, all I had was you, and all you had was me

C# C# F# F# C# C# F#

There was no tomorrows, we packed away our sorrows

F# Bbm Bbm F# G# C# F#

And we saved them for a rainy day

C# G#7 C# G#7 Bbm G# F# F#

[Outro]

C# G#7 C# G#7 Bbm G# F#

And I remember quiet evenings, trembling close to you