

**Backside Of Paradise**  
**Tony Joe White**

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(Intro: **D**)

**D** **G** **F** **D**  
They say I was born on a stormy night jammin to the blues  
My mama thought that I was a good luck charm

**G** **F** **D**  
But I think that I was touched with the hoodoo

**G** **Bb** **C** **D**  
I must have been a swamp doctor s sacrifice

**Bb** **A7** **D**  
Cause I m on the backside of paradise

All out of rhythm in my snakeskin shoes a victim of the dance  
A medicine man gave me something for my nerves  
But I think it was an aphrodisiac  
Suspended animation with my temperature on the rise  
I m on the backside of paradise

(Guitar solo: **D, G, Bb, C, D, Bb, A7, D**)

I can look out but I can t see within  
Can t face what s behind the mask  
On top of the world with you under my skin moving too fast  
She s a hot blooded octaroon with a heart cold as ice  
I m on the backside of paradise  
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