

Little Piece of Time

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The Heart of This Wild Land

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

Capo to B

1) There are places that I know, where us humans seldom go,
They are power for our spirits, and they feed our very souls,

G Am
They have no rhyme or reason, they'll tear down your mighty plans,
C D C D G
They just are what they are....oh the heart of this wild land.

Chorus:

G
I am bound (echo ...I am bound)
Am
O'er the hills, (echo ...O'er the hills)
C D G CG
Unto the heart of this wild land.
G
O'er the mountain's (echo....o'er the mountain's)
C
Singin' rivers (echo..singin' rivers)
G D G
Unto the heart of this wild land.

2) As long as mountains rise and fall,
there are those who heed a call,
To seek the hidden places, beyond these valleys jaded walls,
Some will walk the wide vast spaces,
others wander where they stand,
Some just dream of the thought,
the strong heart of this wild land.
(Repeat Chorus)

Bridge:

G Am
Oh, the rivers of this life keep flowing through me,
C D G
I'm a piece of every place I've ever been,
Am
And I know I've touched the heart of this wild country
C D
As I tramped the snowbound passes in the wind.
(Repeat Chorus)



Circle of Life

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

G C
1) A song is like a thread woven into string,
G D
Twisted and tied to everything.
G C
Time has shown, nothing stands alone,
G D G
All Nature in it sings.

2) The clouds build up and the rain falls down,
Feeds the rivers, ocean bound.
Each wayward stream flows forth a dream,
An endless dancing sound.

Chorus: C D
It's a circle of life we're a-livin'.
C D
It's a circle every which way.
G C
There's a lesson there for the givin',
G D G
So go on and give it away.

3) It's a wonderful world in which we dwell,
Treat her right and she keeps you well.
Don't step astray of nature's way,
In the long run she can tell.
(Repeat Chorus)

4) It's a planet of blue with islands of green,
Let's cherish this Life and all it means.
Each death and birth brings to this Earth
A whole Circle comin' clean.
(Repeat Chorus)

(Key Change to A)

5) The wind takes a seed and away she blows
Where she stops no one knows.
Until shes bound to a little piece of ground
And the life within her grows.

(Repeat final choruses)



Turn Around

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

Capo to Bb

G C G CG
1) You could call me a rich man, for all the gold I've seen,
G C G CG
My pack is full of sunsets, they trade in good for dreams,
C D G Em
You can bundle up life's treasures and hold em in your hand,
G Em C D
But the key to all is letting go and listening to the land.

Refrain:

C D G Em G C
Everytime I turn around....I'm amazed again to see,
G Em C D G Em
It's the heartbeat of this planet staring back at me,
C D G CG
.....staring back at me.

2) This ol' Earth keeps right on turning,
through it's joy and through its pain,
But it keeps right on a-singin', It's music just the same,
You can walk a dusty mile, or fly across the sky,
You can sing out with the thunder,
or climb the mountain high.

(Repeat Refrain)

Bridge:

C D G Em C D G Em
I heard it on the desert I felt it on the sea,
C D G Em
I saw it in the forests,
C Am C D
Reaching out, calling out, singing out to me

Repeat Refrain:

C D G Em C D G Em
 Eye to eye and face to facestaring back at me.
 C D G Em C D G Em
 Eye to eye and face to face.... Staring back at me.
 C D G Em
 Staring back at me.
 C D G C G
 Staring back..... at me.



Eye of the Hunter

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

1) Em C Em C D Em
 Fisher lopes through a silent forest,
 C D Em C D Em
 Senses primed and something's gonna die
 C D G Em CD
 There's a rumblin' in her belly, and somewhere there is life
 Em C D Em C D
 To feed the hunger in the hunter's eyes.

2) Em C Em C D Em
 Cry of the wolf brings life to the herd,
 C D Em C D Em
 Elk like rivers pouring through the night.
 C D G Em C D Em
 The teeth that feed will keep them strong
 C D Em C D Em
 In the gleam of the hunter's sight.

Chorus:

C D G Em
 It's the howl of life, it's the growl of spirit,
 C D Em
 It's the flash of some sun-bleached bone,
 C D
 It's the call of the wild,

G Em C D Em
It's the eye of the hunter, burnin' with a fire all its own.

3) Track of the cat ' cross white drifted snow,
Might be all that's left of her kind,
There's a story written in a stain of blood,
That the lynx has left behind.
(Repeat Chorus)

4) High in the mountains the storms blow cold,
Takes a tough one to face the winter scream.
But there's one who dens in the home of the winds
She's a fierce one, that bold wolverine.

Em
Bridge: Take the badger's persistence
C Em
And the swift fox speed
C D Em
And the strength of the big grizzly bear,
C D G Em
Add the martin's beauty, and the wit of the coyote,
C D Em C Em C Em
Behold the spirit of the hunter there.
(Repeat Final Chorus)



Yellowstone to Yukon

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

Key: Bb

G C G
1) From the geysers and the mudpots ,
C G CG
To the peaks of the far north,

G C G
 From the shores of the Kakwa
 C G CG
 and many a mighty river's source,
 C D G C
 It's all linked together...All part of one big scene.
 G Bm
 From the Yellowstone to the Yukon,
 C D G CG
 one of nature's grandest dreams.

Chorus:

G Bm C G
 Yellowstone north up to the Yukon
 G Bm C D
 Ribbon of wildness still lives on,
 G Bm C G
 Yellowstone north up to the Yukon.
 C D C D GCG
 Here on the back of Turtle Island the wild things live on.

2) Oh, I've walked the untouched valleys,
 through the meadows and the forests,
 All along the rocky ridges, I sometimes set my course.
 Those sparkling mountain waters,
 have cleansed my weary bones,
 From the Yellowstone to the Yukon,
 it's the heartbeat of my home.
 (Repeat Chorus)



Little Piece of Time

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

 D G D G
 1) Feather on the stone, tracks in the sand,
 D G Bm A

Scratches on the wall, like a trace of my hand.

D G D G

Red rock desert, sheer canyon stone,

D A G A

Twisted tree rooted where nothing should have grown.

Chorus: G A G A
Little piece of time woven into stone

G Bm G A
Written on the lines only wind has known.

G A G A
Out in the desert, seek and you'll find,

G A G A G A D
A little piece, a little piece, a little piece of time.

2) Flowers of the desert blooming, a splash of the sun

Colors o'er the mesa, every one.

Rain o'er the canyon, with the scent of the sage,

Lines on the rock, showin' their age.

(Repeat Chorus)

Bridge: D G D A
Seeds of a reason, season take hold,

D G Bm A
Stretch the horizon, the new and the old.

G A Bm G
Canyon magic one of a kind,

A G A D
Halls of glory..... a little piece of time.

(Final Chorus)



Canyon Country

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

Em C D Em
1) There's a place in the desert a-callin' your name,
C D Em
Oh, how the wind does blow.
Em C D Em
The old ones walk softly, the ages the same,
C D Em
That was a long time ago.

Chorus:

D Em
The sun is setting low o'er the canyon,
Am Em
A land once wild and once free,
D C Em
It's a -calling and I hope you will answer
C D Em
For the love of the canyon country.

2) There's a past that is living, its written in stone,
Oh, how the wind does blow,
It'll take you to places that you've never known,
That was a long time ago.

Chorus:

The sun is setting low o'er the canyon,
A land once wild and once free,
It's a -calling and I hope you will answer
For the peace of the canyon country.

3) From the tops of the mesa to the deep canyon floor
Oh, how the wind does blow,
This whole land was sacred, but not anymore
That was a long time ago.

Bridge:

Am C Em
From the walls of the narrows the canyon wren sings

Am C Em
It echoes of time, we'll see what it brings.

Chorus:

D Em
The sun is setting low o'er the canyon,
Am Em
A land once wild and once free,
D C Em
It's a -calling and I hope you will answer
C D Em
In time for the canyon country.
C D Em
In time for the canyon country.
C D Em
In time for the canyon country.
C D Em
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The River Calls

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

Capo to Bb

G Em C G
1) Born of the mountain, and the Arctic wind
C D G
Oh - oh the river calls,
Em C G
Northern lights, and the glacier's kin,
C D G
Oh, how the mighty river calls.

G Em C G
2) The rivers a treasure, that you cannot buy,
C D G
Oh - oh the river calls,

Em C G
She's the glint, in an eagle's eye,
C D G
Oh, how the mighty river calls.

Chorus:

G C D GCG
The rivers a promise..... of things to come
Em C D
A ribbon of hope, shining in the sun,
Em C
The river is life, for the great and small,
G Em
Oh, it's the call of the wild
C D GCG
That the mighty river calls.....

3) The rivers a spirit, flowing sweet and strong,
Oh-oh, the river calls,
She'll fill you up, with her endless song,
Oh, how the mighty river calls.

4) The rivers a lifeline, flowing clean and true,
Oh-oh the river calls,
Through the heart of the land, of the caribou,
Oh, how the mighty river calls....
(Repeat Chorus)

Key change

A F#m D A
5) The rivers a journey, borne by some,
D E A
Oh-oh, the river calls,
F#m D A
She's the way, beacons me to come,
D E A
Oh, how the mighty river calls.

Chorus:

A D E A DA
The rivers a promise..... of things to come
F#m D E
A ribbon of hope, shining in the sun,
F#m D
The river is life, for the great and small,
A F#m

Oh, it's the call of the wild
 D E A
That the mighty river calls.....



The Wild Escalante (The Ballad of Everett Ruess)

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

 D G
1) Rosy red sun o'er the mesa,
 D G
the dawn stalks the canyon this way,
 D A Bm G
Oh, the desert will share all the glory it bares,
 D A
for those who come here to stay.

 D G
2) He was only a lad in his twenties,
 D G
but he walked through the wilds all alone,
 D A Bm G
Makin' peace with the land, and the beauty at hand,
 D A
it touched him in ways all its own.

 G A D A G D
Chorus: But the wild Escalante, holds its secrets well.
 G D Bm
And if his bones lie bleached or he's roamin' there still,
 G A G A D
There ain't no one to tell. There ain't no one to tell.

3) He was one of the first ones to listen,
To all that the desert can hold.

He didn't have much, just a pen and a brush,
and a silence more precious than gold.

4) He soaked up the rich canyon color,
'Til it flowed through his heart all the time,
In his letters back home went his pictures and poems,
love of land spilled on every line.
(Repeat Chorus)

5) Yes, he wandered the wide open spaces,
few folks are ever lucky to know.
From the Grand Canyons keep, to the desert's vast sweep,
in the land of the old Navajo.

6) He had heard of the wild Escalante,
and drawn like a moth to the flame,
He walked in one day, and there the mystery lay,
for he never came out again.

(Repeat Chorus)

7) Some say it was rustlers that got him,
some say he just took a fall,
Others will swear, he's still a-roamin' out there,
he just couldn't leave it at all.

(Repeat First Verse and then Final Chorus)



The Cellular Phone Song

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

Capo to F#m

Em C Em
1) I used to be mellow, I took what life dealt,
C D Em
I'd kick on back and have some time to myself,

C D Em
But now the devil has claimed me, all for his own,
 D Em
You see I live my life..... on a cellular phone.

Refrain:

Em D C D
Cellular phone, cellular phone,
 C D Em
I can't live without my cellular phone.

2) I know I'm important, it's really quite clear,
I drive down the street with a phone in my ear,
I drive like a wacko, I drive as I please,
I can't hear all them people a-honkin' at me,

(Repeat Refrain)

3) I went to funeral, 'twas my dear ol' Dad,
I don't understand why they got so mad,
I mean I answered the phone on the very first ring,
It only takes one hand for that pal bearer thing.

(Repeat Refrain)

4) Its with me all day, its with me all night,
Any silence at all just doesn't seem right,
This problem I got drives me right up the wall,
I should seek out some help, maybe there's somebody I can call.
(Repeat Refrain)



Down In The Blue

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

Capo to Key of D

G C G
 1) Oh, the mist is softly risin',
 G C G
 over the distant blue far horizon
 Am D
 I know the sun is coming soon.
 G C G C G
 And the Earth is quietly waiting, as the night is slowly fading
 C Am D
 Away to give the morning room
 C D
 This peace is hard to find
 C D
 It's the last place of its kind
 C D
 The wild lands have become so far and few

C D
 Refrain: But that river's rolling fast
 G Em
 And I can hear in now at last
 C D G
 Flowin' on through, down in the Blue.

2) There's a coyotes haunting singing,
 and the black hawk on the wing
 Over the canyons of their home.
 And who could ask for more, than the shade of a sycamore
 To rest awhile and cool your weary bones
 Life here is growing fine
 Like the ponderosa pine
 Those open forests, they call to me and you
 (Repeat Refrain)

Bridge:
 G Em C D
 Years ago young Leopold walked the rivers sand
 G Em C D
 I think he listened well my friend, I think he heard the land
 C D C D
 Oh the Blue's runnin' high, with a wild look to her eye,
 C D
 And its callin' out to give it what its due.

2) Rachel loved this planet,
And all the faces it could show.
She loved all the life from the birds on the wing
To the insects down below,
She showed us how all things in life, are all rolled into one.
We're all drinking from the same well, and sustained by the same old sun.

(Repeat Chorus)

Bridge:

C D Em
One voice raised in love
 G Em C
Is a seed sown in the dust
G Em
That one voice makes a difference
 C D
Rachel showed that all to us.

Chorus:

Yes, I'm singing this song for Rachel,
For John Muir and Leopold,
And I'm singin' for William O. Douglas,
For Brower and Cousteau,
And I'm singin' it for Ed Abbey, too,
For Bob Marshall and Thoreau
I'm singing for the Mardy Murie and all my Earth heroes.

And I'm singing this song for Rachel
And for Jane Goodal and Audubon
I'm singing it for Sigard Olson
And all their courage that lives on.
There will be no silent spring,
And there will come a better day.
If we keep singin' this song for Rachel,
And remember what she had to say.

(Repeat First Chorus)



Make a Difference

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

1) Listen to my voice, and what I have to say.
For we have a choice, a-facin' us today.
We can take the low road, or we can take the high
We can walk in shadow, or we can touch the sky.

Chorus: You ask me what, one person can do.
You ask me how, we can see it through.
You ask me why, I'm a-singin' for you.
Just want to make a difference,
just want to make a difference,
You can make a difference,
just want to make a difference

2) Won't you take my hand, and won't you grip it
strong.
We can walk together as we sing this song,
We can sing of the wisdom, that holds the key,
To a life of harmony with the land and the sea.

(Repeat Chorus)

3) It's time to walk a new path,
one the planet can live by.
One at peace with the Earth and Sky.
Oh, just one action can inspire another,
Be a shining light, for your sisters and brothers.

(Repeat Chorus)

You can make a difference, just want to make a difference
Just want to make a difference
Just want to make a difference



One Land, One Heart

By Walkin' Jim Stoltz

Capo to Bb

1) I'm a woman, I'm a man, I'm a child of the land,
With my roots tapped to this Earth, no matter where I stand,
I'm a rich one, I'm a poor one,
I'm the orphan locked outside,
I'm the family that you'll always have, walking at your side.

2) I'm a beggar, I'm a thief, I'm one who still believes
I'm the farmer kicking dust, but still I'm planting seeds,
I'm the promise, I'm the lie, I'm the glint that lights your eye
I'm the spirit in the wind, and the fire that never dies.

Chorus:

G Bm C G
One Land, One Heart
C Am D
We're all in this together.
G Bm C G
One Land, One Heart,
C D G CG
One green planet forever.

3) I'm the old, I'm the young, I'm the song that's seldom sung,
I'm the student and the teacher, I'm the Mother's native tongue,
I'm the sparrow's piercing note, and the arms within your coat
I'm the spark within the darkness, that lights the flame of hope.
(Repeat Chorus)

4) I'm the river, I'm the mountain, I'm the weathered, twisted tree,
I'm the fire and the flood, I'm the heartbeat of the sea,

I'm the flower in the desert, I'm the edge right on the brink
I'm the Love that burns your loins, and the Death that makes you think.

(Repeat Chorus)

5) I am China, I am Kenya, Every nation you can name,
But I'm more than just a country, a flag or boundary claim,
I'm a Buddhist, I'm a Hindu, A Muslim and a Jew,
I'm a Christian and an Atheist, I'm the God inside of you.

6) I am black, I am white, I'm the dove that's taken flight
I'm a healer and the patient, I'm a soldier by all rights...
I'm a prisoner, I am free, And I'm bound in unity.
I'm a patriot of Earth, dreaming harmony,

(Final Chorus)