

The Emperor's Wives

Abney Park

Deep in the dark of a forest kingdom
Under banyan covered skies
Lived a king with untold riches;
Jewels, gold, and two fair wives.
Both had hair as black as midnight,
Coal-black eyes that sparkled bright,
Terra-cotta skin as smooth as bronze
And tempting movements like a sprite.

Every night he indulged his fantasies
Enjoyed his wives and went to sleep
As he slept his wives kept secrets
Holding hands under the sheets.

Each dark day in his ancient palace
The emperor sat on his throne of gold
His young wives explored bright gardens
Eyes met eyes and hands took hold (not completely sure about "hands took hold here)

On that day in the dead of summer
A pretty young wife saw a look of love
Her lover's face had taught their husband
Finally jealous, she lost her love.

One hot night in the dead of summer
The Emperor's wife stole the Magi's blade
Crept into her lover's chamber
And as they slept, her lover slayed.

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