

King Of El Paso

Boz Scaggs

About a million stars in that desert sky
So high and lonesome it can make you want to cry
Or drive your young blood wild

And a burning glow above that northern ridge
Three day ride will get you straight down to old Juarez
A fool's El Dorado

He got a taste for Mescal and sweet perfume
Didn't take long to get him in the back room

All of sixteen and first taste of the border

There's a pile of bones out on the desert floor
All that's left of el Conquistador.. the conqueror

Well I rode that beast down into the ground
Through every draw and every border town
That devil carried me

You watch a few go down to the fire or the rope
You leave little to chance and nothing to hope

An old 24 and nothing could hold me down
(Ain't gonna ride no more)
Ain't gonna ride no more

Well you cross it once you're gonna cross it again
Something keeps you coming back to that shadowland
And so I did for the mysteries

To hear that old soul stirrer slamming through the night
Tombstone train cuts its own daylight

Ain't gonna ride no more

Though my leathers worn and my cuffs in tatters
My hearts on straight and that's all that matters
If I lose a few moves it aint no loss
Cause there's only one border left for me to cross

(Ain't gonna ride no more)
I'll take my sweet time on that one
Aint gonna ride no more
(Ain't gonna ride no more)
Oh I aint gonna ride no more
They call me King Of El Paso and my advice
Learn that road between here and paradise
(Ain't gonna ride no more)
Ain't gonna ride no more
(Ain't gonna ride no more)