## **A Thousand Years**

As I look out across the sea I stand proud but am I free? A thousand years have come and gone I have won, I will go on Stand firm against the storm I cannot see it but it will come And with the ghosts of a million Gaels I will rise up, I will prevail

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When the Dane invaded The held the Gael with a strangle-hold Until Boru joined to clans He won the war, re-claimed my lands My green fields have been stained red From the blood of the Irish dead But with this fire that burns inside I will always rebel, I will survive

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## Cruachan