

# Boondocks

Etta James

I feel no shame, I'm proud from where I came  
I was born and raised in the boondocks, yeah  
One thing I know, no matter where I go  
I keep my heart and soul down in the boondocks, that's right

And I can feel that muddy water  
Running through my vein, yeah  
I can hear that lullaby of a midnight train  
And it sings to me and sounds so familiar, whoa

I feel no shame, I'm proud from where I came  
I was born and raised in the boondocks, yeah, yeah, yeah  
One thing I know, no matter where I may go  
I was born and raised down in the boondocks

I can taste that honeysuckle  
And it's still so sweet, yeah, it's so sweet, so sweet  
When it grows wild on the banks down at old camp creek  
And it calls to me like a warm wind blowing

I feel no shame, I'm proud from where I came  
I was born and raised in the boondocks, yeah, yeah, yeah  
One thing I know, no matter where I might go  
I have my heart and soul in the boondocks

Now listen

It's where I learned about living, whoa yeah  
Where I learned about love, alright  
It's where I learned about working hard, uh huh  
And having a little was just enough

It's where I learned about Jesus, oh yeah  
And knowing where I stand, uh huh  
You can take it or leave it  
This is me, this is who I am

Feel no shame I'm proud from where I am  
I was born down in the boondocks, yeah  
One thing I know, no matter where I go  
Got my heart and soul in the boondocks

Give me a tin roof  
A front porch and a gravel, a gravel road  
And that's home to me  
Feels like home to me, yeah, now

You get a line, I'll get a pole, yeah  
We'll go fishing in the craw fish hole  
Five-card poker on a Saturday night  
Church on Sunday morning, yeah, yeah

I was born and raised  
Down in the boondocks  
One thing I know, no matter where I may go  
My heart and soul in the boondocks

I feel no shame, I'm proud from where I came  
I was born and raised in the boondocks, yeah  
One thing I know, no matter where I go  
I keep my heart and soul down in the boondocks  
In the boondocks