

# North Dakota

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I love North Dakota  
'Cause you have never been there  
And the days go on forever  
And the towns all look the same

And I can ride the back roads  
And I can walk the main streets  
And show someone your picture  
But they would not know your name

This city is so gloomy  
I could stay in bed for hours  
Maybe that's why I'm still lying here  
Asking you for more

'Cause this never would've happened  
If you hadn't touched my elbow  
In that steamy crowded car  
Heading down the western shore

And you take me to pieces  
Your eye sees my favorite me  
And I don't know your word for it  
But you know what I mean

'Cause there's nothing I like better  
Than to watch you flirting with the waitress  
And that's the most inspiring thing  
That I have ever seen

And there's times that you fight it  
It's just the way I like it  
And I wonder what I'm choosing  
I wonder what I'm losing

'Cause at four o'clock this morning  
You told me the story  
Of a friend who couldn't stomach  
All the love that came from you

And oh the straight up  
Deep hurt of you  
And I don't think that I can handle  
Anything that true

And that's why I am leaving  
And that's why I won't call you  
I am getting in the taxi  
Headed for the plane

But I still can feel you breathing  
Still can hear your fingers play  
Still can see you  
Standing in the window pane

And I'm watching your goodbye  
And I'm trying to cry

Guess I'm not built for this load  
Guess it's back to the road

So now Delaware is tollbooths  
Virginia is twilight  
And Michigan's beef jerky  
In a small boy's hand

And Arkansas' a skinny cop  
Oregon is purple hands  
And Flagstaff Arizona  
Is delirium at night

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'Cause you have never been there  
And the days go on for hours  
And the buffalo rowing

And I can ride the back roads  
I can walk the main streets  
And no I never ask me  
When I'm coming home

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North Dakota  
North Dakota, yeah