She Took my Soul in Istanbul

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Once in a night I spent in Istanbul I had a dream of a forbidden world Where even angels Fear to look upon A place where all of love is doomed to die Her face appeared Through clouds of bitter wine Sour as the morning's early hours She took my hair And she curled it around Her fingers I was but a fool for love The scent of Turkish oils Mixed with the harsh tobacco In the overcrowded bar Hashish And cool mint in her hair I was a fool for love I was a fool She sang to me A torch song softly laced With mysteries Arabian It poisoned my mind A sickness in my soul I didn't want to hear at all A curtain fell Before my eyes I did Succumb into her healing breast She sang that song I gave her all my soul And my all To the pleasures of the flesh I cried that night For those forsaken times Those times when I was Simply satisfied I turned to dust That night a thousand times That night a thousand times I died inside And through what's left Of my sad life I hear Her singing in the fevers of the night Look into the mirror of my eyes And tell me what you see It's not your love I need You'll see Sorrow, tears and darkness These are the pleasures Beyond your dreams I found myself Down by the sea A hundred years ago When I was in my teens And years go by I turned into a man

My childhood trapped within the sand I crawled through life On broken glass through hell It seems I wakened my desires And woke one day Wet with the sweat of fear Wet with the sweat of fear As now with you I'll reveal your mother Come to me I'll take you to the safety of the womb Tell me your secrets Sorrow tears and darkness Pour out your heart Sorrow tears and darkness You'll be a fool A fool for love And hell had never seemed so good As when I lost my soul Became a fool for love Help me, please to find my way Look into the mirror of my eyes Your kiss has clouded up my mind And tell me what you see I was a fool, a fool for love It's not your love I need I cried for those forsaken times You'll see She took my soul in Istanbul Sorrow tears and darkness She left me on that night to die These are the pleasures beyond your dreams These are the pleasures beyond all my dreams I am lost Help me to find my way Here in a world where angels fear to gaze My love is doomed to die Alone tonight in Istanbul And I a fool For Love