

## Blue Serenade

### The Manhattan Transfer

Hot to trot shot  
Out to the hot spot  
Up to the nines  
With bodies in line an' feelin' so fine  
What's to lose, go get 'em shoes

You take a train  
You find a fascinatin' rhythm in the rain  
At every stop  
You hear the clippin' and the clop

You take a beat  
You find a fascinatin' rhythm in your feet  
It's so complete  
And you know nothin' can compete

You ain't seen nothin'  
You ain't seen nothin', yet

You start to palpitate  
And the jeep is shakin' the snake  
Like a man upon the move  
For a doll who doesn't hesitate

Bad John  
You hear the sound of a sad song

And when the downtown folk  
All shake it on out tonite  
Jeep is jake  
And rakin' in the take

Bad John  
You are back where you belong

She's such a sight tonite  
Hello  
A Caribana with a fan a top banana  
In a blue savanna moon

A neck in neck  
You tell her darlin' get the check  
You're all electric  
Up in Harlem in a swoon

Another dance  
With a tropical fan  
Another chance  
With the topical tan

Mean swimmin' saxophones  
Takin' in the wimmin' and shakin' them bones  
The goat get in the fete begin  
Naughty little body and set for sin

A Creole girl  
Step up and say

Never say never with a casual sway  
Takin' her time to come my way

Bad John  
You are back where you belong

[Incomprehensible]  
All reet I'm tippin' in yeah, deed I do  
And while the goat is on the fire  
And every note is your desire  
You approve her every move

You in a spin  
Come on in  
She wanna grab you by the duff and tell you  
Honey this is tough enough for sure

And there's the door  
What are you waiting for?  
And just us two  
Serenading in blue

You take a frail  
Who makes a copesetic caper with her tail  
I'm tellin' you  
She really puttin' on a do

The saxophones  
You can't relax when there is rhythm in your bones  
You're on the hoof  
You raise a racket on the roof

Some syncopation  
Makin' with the eyes an arisin' occasion  
Made it in the shade  
The way they played that satin serenade in blue