

## Watch Her Disappear

Tom Waits

Last night I dreamed that I was dreaming of you  
And from a window across the lawn I watched you undress  
Wearing your sunset of purple tightly woven around your hair  
That rose in strangled ebony curls  
Moving in a yellow bedroom light  
The air is wet with sound  
The faraway yelping of a wounded dog  
And the ground is drinking a slow faucet leak  
Your house is so soft and fading as it soaks the black summer heat  
A light goes on and the door opens  
And a yellow cat runs out on the stream of hall light and into the yard

A wooden cherry scent is faintly breathing the air  
I hear your champagne laugh  
You wear two lavender orchids  
One in your hair and one on your hip  
A string of yellow carnival lights comes on with the dusk  
Circling the lake with a slowly dipping halo  
And I hear a banjo tango

And you dance into the shadow of a black poplar tree  
And I watched you as you disappeared  
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