

Jamaica Farewell

Harry Belafonte (Traditional, with lyrics by Lord Burgess)

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C **F**
Down the way where the nights are gay
G7 **C**
And the sun shines daily on the mountain top
F
I took a trip on a sailing ship
G7 **C**
And when I reached Jamaica I made a stop

C **F**
Chorus: But I'm sad to say, I'm on my way
G7 **C**
Won't be back for many a day
F
My heart is down, my head is turning around
G7 **C**
I had to leave a little girl in Kingston town

C **F**
Down by the market you can hear
G7 **C**
Ladies cry out while on their heads they bear
F
Ackey, rice and salt fish are nice
G7 **C**
And the rum is fine any time of year **Chorus**

C **F**
Sounds of laughter everywhere
G7 **C**
And the dancing girls swaying to and fro
F
I must declare, my heart is there
G7 **C**
Tho' I've been from Maine to Mexico **Chorus**

