Cream, Tales Of Brave Ulysses

You thought the Latin winter Would bring you down forever, But you rode upon a steamer To the violence of the sun.

And the colours of the sea
Blind your eyes with trembling mermaids,
And you touch the distant beaches
With tales of brave Ulysses;
How his naked ears were tortured
By the sirens sweetly singing,
For the sparkling waves are calling you
To kiss their white-laced lips.

And you see a girl's brown body
Dancing through the turquoise,
And her footprints make you follow
Where the sky loves the sea.
And when your fingers find her,
She drowns you in her body,
Carving deep blue ripples
In the tissues of your mind.

The tiny purple fishes
Run laughing through your fingers,
And you want to take her with you
To the hard land of the winter.

Her name is Aphrodite
And she rides a crimson shell,
And you know you cannot leave her
For you touched the distant sands
With tales of brave Ulysses;
How his naked ears were tortured
By the sirens sweetly singing...

The tiny purple fishes
Run laughing through your fingers,
And you want to take her with you
To the hard land of the winter.