

# John Denver, Wish You Were Here

This song appears on three albums, and was first released on the album *Wish You Were Here* in 1970.

Dear friend of mine, the weather's fine  
Today I saw some ruins of the roman world' decline  
And I climbed all those spanish steps, you've heard of them no doubt  
But rome has lost it's glory, I don't know what it's about

I wish you were here  
(when the shadows fall and all the rushing traffic stills)  
I wish you were here  
(and the bells are ringing on the seven hills)  
I make my way to a small cafe  
I wonder what you did today  
Wish you were here

Dear one at home, I just flew in from rome  
And paris is a postcard all decked in color chrome  
And so I climbed the eiffel tower and prayed at notre dame  
But I just can't find the romance and I wonder why I came

I wish you were here

(on the champs elysees, lovers walking hand in hand)  
I wish you were here  
(they take one look at me and seem to understand)  
This city of light is a lovely sight  
The first bright star I see tonight  
Wish you were here

Now I write this from the plane  
Drinking cheap champagne  
Wonderin' why two people got so far apart

I wish you were here  
(here in london where the rain is pouring down)  
I wish you were here  
(on this airplane headed back to new york town)  
I'll never leave you alone again  
I'm coming home, but until then  
Wish you were here  
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