Fiona Apple, Pale September

Pale September I wore the time Like a dress that year The autumn days Swung soft around me Like cotton on my skin But as the embers Of the summer Lost their breath And disappearred My heart went cold and Only hollow rhythms Resounded from within But then he rose Brilliant as the moon in full And sank in the Burrows of my keep And all my armour Falling down In a pile at my feet And my winter giving Way to warm As I'm singing him to sleep

He goes along just
As a water lily
Gentle on the surface
Of his thoughts
His body floats
Unweighed down by
Passion or intensity
Yet unaware of the
Depth upon which he coasts
And he finds a home in me
For what misfortune sows
He knows my touch will reap

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