Jimmy Buffett, A Salty Piece Of Land

I was listening for answers That I could not really hear When the words of a wise old Indian Put a conch shell to my ear

And I took off for the ocean I was searching for the coast Painting pictures of my vision With the words from grandma ghost

Hiding from the dragons Riding for the sea Singing ballads from my childhood A pirate's life for me

Survivors seem to function best When peril is at hand With a song of the ocean Meets a salty piece of land

I was force-fed my religion But I somehow saved my smile Tapped into my instincts As I headed to'ards exile

Cleopatra did not own a barge But a schooner was her home She has centuries of stories And there's wisdom in her bones

She was on a sacred mission And she told me of a place Where a man can hide forever But never loose his face

So I saddled up my seahorse With a fly-rod in my hand I was not looking for salvation Just a salty piece of land

Somedays Cayo Loco SHIMMERS Like the stars up in the sky And the seabirds they do touch and gos As the world just tangos by

But there are times when she is hidden Beneath the wild and crashing waves And the patron saint of lightening Keeps the sailors from their graves

Some say it is a blinding sword Pointing out into the sea While others say her guiding light Leads to'ards eternity

Still I sit in contemplation And I just don't understand This mysterious attraction Of this salty piece of land

Still I search the constellations And the tiny grains of sand Where the song of the ocean Meets the salty piece of land

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