

# Linda Ronstadt, Wildflowers

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The hills were alive with wildflowers and I  
Was as wild, even wilder than they  
For at least I could run  
They just died in the sun  
And I refused to just wither in place

Just a wild mountain rose  
Needing freedom to grow  
So I ran fearing not where I'd go  
When a flower grows wild  
It can always survive  
Wildflowers don't care where they grow

And the flowers I knew  
In the fields where I grew  
Were content to be lost in the crowd  
They were common and close  
I had no room for growth  
And I wanted so much to branch out

So I uprooted myself from home ground and left  
Took my dreams and I took to the road  
When a flower grows wild  
It can always survive  
Wildflowers don't care where they grow

I grew up fast and wild  
And I never felt right  
In a garden so different from me  
I just never belonged  
I just longed to be gone  
So the garden one day set me free

I hitched a ride with the wind  
And since he was my friend  
I just let him decide where we'd go  
When a flower grows wild  
It can always survive  
Wildflowers don't care where they grow

Just a wild rambling rose seeking mysteries untold  
No regret for the path that I chose  
When a flower grows wild  
It can always survive  
Wildflowers don't care where they grow