Merle Haggard, Mississippi Delta Blues

With friends around and even pals that I know are true Still I'm lonely homesick and blue There's no one who can cheer me when I'm alone Longing for my Mississippi home Way down on the delta on that Mississippi shore In that muddy water I long to be once more When that shadows creep about and the whippoorwill call You can hear old mommy shout come in here you all Way down on the levee strolling in the pale moon light You can see those steamboats and fields of snowy white That's a feeling I can't lose muddy water in my shoes When I get those Mississippi Delta blues (yodel) [dixieland] I long to hear them singing songs them old melodies Swanee River and Ol' Black Joe

That sweet magnolia perfume floating on the breeze Way down south is where I long to go Hey way down on the delta...