

Lake Pedder Again

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(Capo 2)  $\frac{D}{(C)}$ $\frac{G}{(F)}$ $\frac{G^{(6)}}{(F6)}$ $\frac{G}{(F)}$

For years be - yond count - ing, Since time past all mem - ory, Be -

$\frac{Bm}{(Am)}$ $\frac{Em}{(Dm)}$ $\frac{A}{(G)}$

fore hu - man foot - steps, When the earth was still young, In the

$\frac{D}{(C)}$ $\frac{G}{(F)}$ $\frac{G^{(6)}}{(F6)}$ $\frac{G}{(F)}$

heart of Tas - man - ia, Lake Ped - der spark - led, A

$\frac{Bm}{(Am)}$ $\frac{A}{(G)}$ $\frac{D}{(C)}$

dia - mond of beau - ty Where the clear wat - ers run. (And)

$\frac{G}{(F)}$ $\frac{A}{(G)}$ 1.2. $\frac{D}{(C)}$ $\frac{A^6}{(G6)}$ $\frac{D}{(C)}$

Oh, to see Lake Ped - der a - gain. (Then) gain.

$\frac{Bm^7}{(Am7)}$ $\frac{F\#m}{(Em)}$

If we cast a stone in the wat - er, The

$\frac{Bm^7}{(Am7)}$ $\frac{F\#m^7}{(Em7)}$

ripp - les spread so far, If we

$\frac{Bm^7}{(Am7)}$ $\frac{F\#m^7}{(Em7)}$

raise our voice in the wild - er - ness the im -

$\frac{G}{(F)}$ $\frac{A}{(G)}$ *First bridge* 

poss - i - ble may come to pass. (to verse)

Second bridge $\frac{G}{(F)}$ $\frac{A}{(G)}$ $\frac{D}{(C)}$ $\frac{(A^6)}{(G6)}$ 

(And) Oh, to see Lake Ped - der a - gain. (At end, repeat 3 times and slow)

For years beyond counting — Since time past all memory
Before human footsteps — When the earth was still young
In the heart of Tasmania — Lake Pedder sparkled
A diamond of beauty — Where clear waters run
– Oh – to see Lake Pedder again

Then one generation — Blinded by power
Who saw not the wonder — Of nature's pure gifts
Built dam walls and turbines — And pipes for diversion
They drowned all dissent — Cut nature adrift
– But oh – to see Lake Pedder again

So now 'neath the water — Lies the path of the Serpentine
That wandered for eons — Through the buttongrass plain
& that beach like no other — Once revealed every summer
In its heartbreaking grandeur — Sleeps hidden 'neath the waves
– But oh – could we see Lake Pedder again?

*If we cast a stone in the water, the ripples spread so far
If we raise our voice in the wilderness the impossible may come to pass*

The wonder of Pedder — Is drowned but not broken
The beach, dunes & rivers — Are stronger than our greed
The dam walls will grow old — The power plant will weary
It's then we must fight — To make those waters recede
– And oh – we could see Lake Pedder again!

We can move beyond exploitation — as a far wiser nation
The Gross National Product — Is not the sum of life's worth
There's value in beauty — There's wonder in nature
It's time to right wrongs — To make peace with the earth
– And oh – we will see Lake Pedder again!

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