

# Jamaica Farewell

Harry Belafonte

Down the way  
Where the nights are gay  
And the sun shines daily on the mountaintop  
I took a trip on a sailing ship  
And when I reached Jamaica I made a stop(chorus)  
But I'm sad to say I'm on my way  
Won't be back for many a day  
My heart is down  
My head is turning around  
I had to leave a little girl in Kingston town Sounds of laughter everywhere  
And the dancing girls swing to and fro  
I must declare my heart is there  
Though I've been from Maine to Mexico  
(chorus)  
But I'm sad to say I'm on my way  
Won't be back for many a day  
My heart is down  
My head is turning around  
I had to leave a little girl in Kingston town Down at the market you can hear  
Ladies cry out while on their heads they bear  
Ackee\*, rice, saltfish are nice  
And the rum is fine any time o' year(chorus)  
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\*ackee: national fruit of Jamaica; ackee and saltfish is the national dish

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