

Across the Water

[Verse 1]

Mam packed my coat in July
Folded the old green scarf
Left me the key by the tin cup
Said, "Mind the door, my heart"
The harbor was cold on my hands
The gulls cut white through rain
I watched the coast lean smaller
And felt that ache again

[Pre-Chorus]

I kept your name in my mouth
Like a coin I couldn't spend
If I said it soft enough
Maybe I'd hear home again

[Chorus]

Across the water
I still hear you call
Across the water
I carry it all
The road may bend me
But it won't break me through
Across the water
I'm still tied to you

[Verse 2]

Now I rent a room by the station
Above a shop that sells bread
The kettle screams in the morning
And I turn toward what you said

There's a postcard on the mantle
Brown field and a chapel spire
I touch the stamp with my thumb
Like I can cross back through the wire

[Pre-Chorus]

I keep your songs in my lungs
When the night gets sharp and long
If I close my eyes and sing
I'm not gone, I'm coming home

[Chorus]

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[Bridge]

And if the years make strangers
Of the hands that held me then
I'll still know the shore by heart
And the pull of where I've been
One day I'll stand in the doorway
With the wind on my back again
Till then I keep your fire
Till then I keep your name

[Chorus]

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[Outro]

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Home comes through