

Big River Grateful Dead

Chorus Well I taught that weeping willow how to cry cry cry,
Taught the clouds how to cover up a clear blue sky.
Tears I cried for that woman are gonna flood you big river,
And I'm a gonna sit right here until I die.

V1 I met her accidentally in St. Paul, Minnesota,
She tore me up every time I heard her drawl that southern drawl.
Well I heard my dream went back downstream, cavortin' in Davenport,
And I followed you big river when you called.

Chorus

V2 Well I followed her down to St. Lou, later on down the river,
 Trader said she's been here, but she's gone, boy, she's gone.
 Well I followed her down to Memphis, but she just walked off the bus,
 She raised a few eyebrows and she went on down alone.

Chorus

**V3 Well I've gotten on down to Baton Rouge, River Queen roll on,
Take that woman down to New Orleans, New Orleans.
I give up, I've had enough, followed my blues on down to the gulf,
She loves you big river more than me.**

Chorus

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