Catfish John

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Intro e9p78-9 9p712129p7 B G D A E
Chorus: A D A Mama said, "Don't go near that river, A E Don't be hanging around old Catfish John." A D A Come the morning I'd always be there, A E A Walking in his footsteps in the sweet Delta dawn.
D A Take me back to another morning, D A To a time so long ago, D A Where the sweet magnolias blossom, A E A Cotton fields was white as snow.
Catfish John was a river hobo D A Lived and died by the river's bed, D A Looking back I still remember A E A I was proud to be his friend.
[Chorus] Jam over verse
D A Born a slave in the town of Vicksburg, D A Traded for a chestnut mare, D A Lord, he never spoke in anger A E A Though his load was hard to bear.

[Chorus]

A E A Walking in his footsteps in the sweet Delta dawn.