

The Manatee Song

Reference track: Baby Beluga by Raffi

D *G* *D* *G*
Floating through the mangrove leaves | friendly manatee |
B7 *Em7* *A7* *D*
You don't look much like a | cow to me. |

D *G* *D* *G*
With your funny paddle tail | one can see you're not a whale |
B7 *Em7* *A7* *D*
so now tell me just what | can you be? |

Chorus

G *G#dim* *D ** *B7*
Manatee, | Mana-tee-ee. | We need a | plan you see be- |
Em7 *A7* *D* *A7*
fore there is no | manatee no | more. | |

**Walk-down: D Db C B (on each chorus)*

Verse 2

D *G* *D* *G*
In a river or the sea | you're as happy as can be |
B7 *Em7* *A7* *D*
just so long as the | water's warm |
D *G* *D* *G*
Swimming threw the ocean blue | looking for some leaves to chew |
B7 *Em7* *A7* *D*
there's no mistaking your cur- | vaceous form. |

Chorus

G *G#dim* *D* *B7*
Manatee, | Mana-tee-ee. | We need a | plan you see be- |
Em7 *A7* *D* *A7*
fore there is no | manatee no | more. | |

Bridge 1

Em7 *A7*
The Atlantic is | where you'll see |
Em7 *A7*
the lovely | manatee |
F#m7 *B7*
in the Pacific they | don't belong |
Em7 *A7* *A7 Walk-up: A B C#*
that's the home of their | cousin the dugong. |

Verse 3

D *G* *D* *G*
Boating is a lot of fun, we | all enjoy the waves and sun |

B7 *Em7* *A7* *D*
there's just one thing I ask | before you go. |

D *G* *D* *G*
Anywhere where you could see a | gently grazing manatee |
rit. B7 *Em7* *A7* *D*
do like they do take it | nice and slow. |

Chorus

a tempo
G *G#dim* *D* *B7*
Manatee, | Mana-tee-ee. | We need a | plan you see be- |
Em7 *A7* *D* *A7*
fore there is no | manatee no | more. | |

Bridge 2

Em7 *A7* *Em7* *A7*
When considering the | family tree | of the dugong and | manatee |
F#m7 *B7* *Em7*
no creature | of the sea | is as relevant as their |
A7 *A7 Walk-up: A B C#*
cousin the elephant. | |

Walk-down: A A Ab G

G *G#dim* *D* *B7*
Manatee, | Mana-tee-ee. | We need a | plan you see |
Em7 *A7* *D* *D7*
before there is no | manatee no | more | |
G *G#dim* *D* *B7*
Manatee, | Mana-tee-ee. | We need a | plan you see |
Em7 *A7* *F#m7* *B7*
before there is no | manatee | before there is no | manatee,
Em7 *A7* *C6*
before there is no | manatee no | more. |