

# 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. |