

'Cherry Red, I Want You Forever'

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## 'CINEMATIC DRIVE'

I look up at the cotton-candy sky and watch as the clouds float me by. you look up into my hazel eyes and watch as my thoughts pass you by. we look into the bleeding sunrise and watch as the blaze melts on by. but we love the confusion, and crave the illusion of bathing in art, and drying in film. let's go for a cinematic drive, let me put your hand in mine, and then we'll let our favourite films play in the front seat, as we do what we do in the backseat. let's soak up this cinematic love, let me dance around in the golden air that fantasies speak of, and then we'll lay on a blanket and stare up at the sky, and watch as this life floats, passes and melts on by.

# 'DIFFICULT'

I stand at the mirror and tell myself that I'm capable of feeling love, but there's a tinge of uncertainty in my voice as I assure myself that I'll soon find a heart to be a part of, be a certain something for a certain someone, and mean more than I do now. all of this is so difficult, feeling like you'll forever be unloved and never treasured and just never enough, and on most lonely nights, every single one of these thoughts beat me into the ground, and as I lay emotionless on the cold tile, I begin to wonder if I'll ever see beautiful sights and know what it's like to have my heart held by another. I wish I could tell you what this feels like, those moments where you feel as though you've broken into two and you go to reach for another half to hold onto but there's just no one there, and you're left to gaze alone into the emptiness, with nothing but cold air pressed up against your skin.

# 'THIS PARTY'

there's glitter and booze on the floor,
but getting to love you is more of what I yearn for,
as there was a crowd not too long ago,
but I only seemed to see your face
in the midst of the confetti snow,
and now that everyone has left
this party and it's just us two,
I begin to think,

I wonder if I should confess how I'm really feeling about you?

with your cherry red lipstick stained on my plastic cup,

I wonder if I should kneel down and

pick the pieces of my heart up,

the shattered pieces that fell just by

thinking about what we could be.



#### **'EVAPORATE INTO ME'**

they're saying that a storm is coming, but truth is, the storm's already left, and now it's just the morning sunshine, and countless good times and endless blue skies and this little moment where it's just you and I, and I feel as though I could die, because this happiness is strong enough to kill. I look at you laying next to me and I struggle to accept that it's almost time for you to leave, and all I can think of is asking you to stay with me, and remain in my universe now and forever, rather than become a blissful memory. I can't think of another way to ask you this, but won't you evaporate into me? won't you leave behind an ocean so that I can swim in your horizon when I miss you? won't you let me dive into the crevices of your heart to find our memories when this world may make me forget?

#### 'FALL INTO YOU'

I tripped, and fell straight into your world, and I've been laying here for many days, enveloped in that red haze, wondering just how many ways I can find to lay all of my loving onto you. so tell me, do you want the truth? do you want me to say that I like it when I fall into you? because I do. I do love the way it hurts to blush, I do love the way it gives me a rush, I do love the way you put me into an everlasting flush, and I do love the way you tell my inner thoughts to hush. so I'll do it again,

it was accidental the last time but now
I'm deliberately tripping over the wire,
wanting to land in your loving crossfire,
and feel you feel me for the next few moments in time.

#### 'DO IT'

I've been down before,
down like a drunken man on a kitchen floor,
reaching for emotional and physical support,
only to have his cries cut short
by an ex with a heart made of steel.
I don't crave much,
if anything,

I've swayed silently in the wind, grateful for a human touch and the rush of love and my endless dose of a one, but sometimes two-sided midnight crush.

I've wandered for so long in a dark and desolate labyrinth, searching for a sign that I'm doing anything right, and loving these people with the peace of a low tide, only to find that it's not always on me to try.





so you, the one sat on the other side of the room, watching me like I'm watching you, entranced by your heavenly design, will you blame me if I say I know how this story goes? I'll say that I love you from head to toe, and you'll say that you love me more than I could ever know, and it's beautiful but I'm tired of crossing wires just to feel the feeling of love, but maybe I should give you a chance, a chance to let you love me into a loving trance, but if you're going to do that, do it right and don't let this last for just one night.

## "... AND THEN THERE WAS YOU"

we've roamed the lands together, your hand in mine and your heart woven into my sweater, searching for a home, maybe a rustic cabin by a tranquil lake, or a countryside apartment with our initials carved into the door as a keepsake. any of them will do, as long as it's got you, the diamond that illuminates every inch of my tainted world, my other half that deserves to be treasured like a sunken pearl. you are what helps me sleep at night, the sheets wrapped around us and your body pressed up against mine. it's moments like these that are so divine, and like the sight of a lavender-scented candle flame dying down, I never want it to subside.





I don't know how I could ever paint a picture of anything again without you in it, even if it's just your hair in the frame, having you in my mind and on paper lights an eternal flame, a crimson spark I cover with the cusp of my heart, just so I can hold you and love you forever.