

# Smoke and Mirrors

**Background:** Everyone puts on a front. Everyone lives in a disguise. It seems like most of the time you are on the receiving end of manipulation, as if they think you were born yesterday. This song is about all that noise and seeing past it. “Her” is not necessarily a person (although it could be) but instead the personification of anything and a metaphor for anything that fits. **Written:** 2024

Arr.	Key	Time	Tuning	Tempo	Style	Capo
1	A	4/4	Standard	140	Upbeat Rock	2

Arrangement	1
Intro	Amaj E/A Dadd9 A
Verse	Amaj Amajsus Amaj E/A Dadd9 A D Dsus2 Amaj Amajsus Amaj E/A Dadd9 A
Chorus	E D E D E D E D Amaj
Bridge	Bm E Bm G E
Ending	Amaj E/A Dadd9 A

## Chords Used in this Song (Relative to Capo)

Amaj	E/A	D/A	A	D	E	G

Amaj	Bm	Amajsus	Dmajsus

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## Verse

**Amaj Amajsus Amaj**

You can't teach

**E/A Dadd9 A**

This old dog new tricks

**Amaj Amajsus Amaj**

But you keep on tryin'

**E/A Dadd9 A**

Just to get your kicks

**D Dsus2**

Throw enough at the wall

**D**

Hope something sticks

**Amaj Amajsus Amaj**

Well that's ok

**E/A Dadd9 A**

This dog can take the licks

## Chorus

**E**

So blind you cannot see her

**D**

Through all her smoke and mirrors

**E**

You can't get anywhere near her

**D**

When she's down

**E**

Until her skies are clearer

**D**

She's all just smoke and mirrors

**E**

So loud you can't hear her

**D**

Make a sound

**Amaj**

From underground

## Verse

**Amaj Amajsus Amaj**

Don't believe

**E/A Dadd9 A**

The endless hype

**Amaj Amajsus Amaj**

You should know

**E/A Dadd9 A**

I'm not the type

**D Dsus2**

It takes all we've got sometimes

**D Dsus2**

Just to stay alive

**Amaj Amajsus Amaj**

But in the end I know

**E/A Dadd9 A**

We will survive

## Chorus

**E**

She hides so you can't see her

**D**

Through all her smoke and mirrors

**E**

Got no reason to fear her

**D**

No not at all

**E**

She'll make the end feel nearer

**D**

But it's all just smoke and mirrors

**E**

It can make you all the wearier

**D**

Before the fall

**Amaj**

Make the call

### **Bridge**

**Bm**

Can't keep my feet

**E**

Flat on the ground

**Bm**

Can't keep hanging on

**G**

While this world keeps spinning

**E**

Spinning us around

### **Verse**

**Amaj Amajsus Amaj**

Don't believe

**E/A Dadd9 A**

All that you've read

**Amaj Amajsus Amaj**

In the end it's clear

**E/A Dadd9 A**

We've all been misled

**D Dsus2**

Just be certain

**D Dsus2**

When it all comes to a head

**Amaj Amajsus Amaj**

That you don't regret

**E/A Dadd9 A**

Anything you've said

### **Chorus**

**E**

So blind you cannot see her

**D**

Through all her smoke and mirrors

**E**

You can't get anywhere near her

**D**

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**E**

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Make a sound

**Amaj**

From underground

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## Verse

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This old dog new tricks  
But you keep on tryin'  
Just to get your kicks  
Throw enough at the wall  
Hope something sticks  
Well that's ok  
This dog can take the licks

## Chorus

So blind you cannot see her  
Through all her smoke and mirrors  
You can't get anywhere near her  
When she's down  
Until her skies are clearer  
She's all just smoke and mirrors  
So loud you can't hear her  
Make a sound  
From underground

## Verse

Don't believe  
The endless hype  
You should know  
I'm not the type  
It takes all we've got sometimes  
Just to stay alive  
But in the end I know  
We will survive

## Chorus

She hides so you can't see her  
Through all her smoke and mirrors  
Got no reason to fear her  
No not at all  
She'll make the end feel nearer  
But it's all just smoke and mirrors  
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Before the fall  
Make the call

**Bridge**

Can't keep my feet  
Flat on the ground  
Can't keep hanging on  
While this world keeps spinning  
Spinning us around

**Verse**

Don't believe  
All that you've read  
In the end it's clear  
We've all been misled  
Just be certain  
When it all comes to a head  
That you don't regret  
Anything you've said

**Chorus**

So blind you cannot see her  
Through all her smoke and mirrors  
You can't get anywhere near her  
When she's down  
Until her skies are clearer  
She's all just smoke and mirrors  
So loud you can't hear her  
Make a sound  
She's goin' underground

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<p><b>Intro:</b> Amaj E/A Dadd9 A  <b>Verse:</b> Amaj Amajsus Amaj E/A Dadd9 A  D Dsus2  Amaj Amajsus Amaj E/A Dadd9 A</p>	<p><b>Chorus:</b> E D E D  E D E D Amaj  <b>Bridge:</b> Bm E Bm G E  <b>Ending:</b> Amaj E/A Dadd9 A</p>
<p><b>Verse</b>  You can't teach  This old dog new tricks  But you keep on tryin'  Just to get your kicks  Throw enough at the wall  Hope something sticks  Well that's ok  This dog can take the licks</p>	<p><b>Chorus</b>  She hides so you can't see her  Through all her smoke and mirrors  Got no reason to fear her  No not at all  She'll make the end feel nearer  But it's all just smoke and mirrors  It can make you all the wearier  Before the fall  Make the call</p>
<p><b>Chorus</b>  So blind you cannot see her  Through all her smoke and mirrors  You can't get anywhere near her  When she's down  Until her skies are clearer  She's all just smoke and mirrors  So loud you can't hear her  Make a sound  From underground</p>	<p><b>Bridge</b>  Can't keep my feet  Flat on the ground  Can't keep hanging on  While this world keeps spinning  Spinning us around</p>
<p><b>Verse</b>  Don't believe  The endless hype  You should know  I'm not the type  It takes all we've got sometimes  Just to stay alive  But in the end I know  We will survive</p>	<p><b>Verse</b>  Don't believe  All that you've read  In the end it's clear  We've all been misled  Just be certain  When it all comes to a head  That you don't regret  Anything you've said</p>
	<p><b>Chorus</b>  So blind you cannot see her  Through all her smoke and mirrors  You can't get anywhere near her  When she's down  Until her skies are clearer  She's all just smoke and mirrors  So loud you can't hear her  Make a sound  She's goin' underground</p>