

Down to the Waterline

Dire Straits

Key: Bm

Tempo: 139

Time: 4/4

Intro:

!Freely without drums and bass, play over

Bm G E Bm
1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234

!Rhythm enters

G Bm G Bm
1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234

Verse 1:

Bm F#m A E7 Bm
Sweet surrender on the quay side
Bm F#m A E7 Bm
You remember we used to run and hide
 Bm F#m
In the shadows of cargoes, I take you on time,
A (slide from 1 step below) E
Counting all the numbers
 Bm
Down to the waterline

Verse 2:

Bm F#m A E7 Bm
Near misses on the dogleap stairways
Bm F#m A E7 Bm
French kisses in the darkened doorways
Bm F#m
Foghorn blowing out wild and cold
A (slide from 1 step below) E
A policeman shines a light
 Bm
upon my shoulder

Instrumental !:

G Bm G A
1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234

Verse 3:

Bm F#m A E7 Bm
Up comes a coaster, fast and silent through the night
Bm F#m A E7 Bm
Over my shoulder, all you can see are pilot lights
Bm F#m
No money in our jackets and jeans are torn
A (slide from 1 step below) E
Your hands are cold but your lips
Bm
are warm

Instrumental 2:

G Bm G A
1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234
E C#m C9 G C9
1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234
D A F#m G A9
1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234
F# / G / A / Bm

Verse 4:

Bm F#m A E7 Bm
She can see you in the jetty where you used to go
Bm F#m A E7 Bm
She can see you in the places where the sailors go
Bm F#m
When she's walking down the river on the railway line
A (slide from 1 step below) E
She can still hear you whisper, Lets go down
Bm
to the waterline

End Solo:

G Bm G A
1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234
Come on
Bm G A Bm9
1234 1234 1234 1234 hold