Island In the Sun

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This is my island in the sun Where my people have toiled since time begun I may sail on many a sea Her shores will always be home to meOh, island in the sun Willed to me by my father's hand All my days I will sing in praise Of your forest, waters, Your shining sandAs morning breaks The heaven on high I lift my heavy load to the sky Sun comes down with a burning glow Mingles my sweat with the earth below Oh, island in the sun Willed to me by my father's hand All my days I will sing in praise Of your forest, waters, Your shining sandI see woman on bended knee Cutting cane for her family I see man at the waterside Casting nets at the surging tideOh, island in the sun Willed to me by my father's hand All my days I will sing in praise Of your forest, waters, Your shining sandI hope the day will never come That I can't awake to the sound of drum Never let me miss carnival With calypso songs philosophical Oh, island in the sun Willed to me by my father's hand All my days I will sing in praise Of your forest, waters, Your shining sand

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