

# Long Way Round

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D                    Bm                    A  
I stood and looked across the water  
D                    Bm                    A  
I had to get to the other side  
G                    D  
Because I knew that you'd be waitin'  
G                    Bm                    A                    D  
I didn't want to take the long way 'round.

D                    Bm                    A  
The captain said the ship was leavin'  
D                    Bm                    A  
And that we'd better get on board  
G                    D  
I settled down to watch the sunrise  
G                    Bm                    A                    D  
And wondered if I'd see the sun go down.

Gm                    F                    Eb  
The sea was rough and the wind was howlin'  
Gm                    F                    C  
But I was laughing all the way  
Gm                    F                    Eb  
I didn't care about the weather  
G                    D  
Because I knew that you'd be waitin'  
G                    Bm                    A                    D  
I didn't want to take the long way 'round

D                    Bm                    A  
Then a stranger sat beside me  
D                    Bm                    A  
It was my brother in disguise  
G                    D  
He said he knew where I was goin'  
G                    Bm                    A                    D  
He asked me why I took the long way 'round.

Gm                    F                    Eb  
The sea was rough and the wind was howlin'  
Gm                    F                    C  
But I was laughing all the way  
Gm                    F                    Eb  
I didn't listen to the stranger  
G                    D  
Because I knew that you'd be waitin'

G            Bm                            A            D  
I didn't want to take the long way 'round

D            Bm                            A  
At last, I came to my destination

D            Bm                            A  
The stranger turned and walked away

G            D  
He didn't know where he was goin'

G            Bm                            A            D  
He said he had to take the long way 'round.

D            Bm                            A  
I stood and looked across the water

D            Bm                            A  
I thought of what I'd left behind

G            D  
Because I knew that you'd be waitin'

G            Bm                            A            D  
I didn't want to take the long way 'round.

G            D  
Because I knew that you'd be waitin'

G            Bm                            A            D  
I didn't want to take the long way 'round.