

[Am] Up here on the slopes and plains [Dm] In the town of [Am] Narrabri [Am] On the banks of the Namoi river [F] 'Neath the shade of the pretty [Am] bird tree [Am] Oh my brother Daabi died down there [Dm] Neath the willows oh so [Am] cool [Am] Now he walks with our ancestors [F] Underneath the Kamilaroi [Am] moon Namoi [C] River You're home to [Am] me [F] I sit with you 'neath the pretty bird tree [Am] Early on in life I took to the booze [Dm] And drank away my [Am] dreams [Am] I watched my life flow sadly bye [F] Like tear drops down the [Am] drain [Am] So I headed for the river, and be-[Dm]-came a river rat [Am] I'd worn out all my welcomes [F] No place to hang my [Am] hat [Am] Oh there was cranky Franky and Jackie Brown with [Dm] Joe Craigie and [Am] me [Am] And would lay next day like poison dogs [F] All around the pretty bird [Am] tree Namoi [C] River You're home to [Am] me [F] I sit with you 'neath the pretty bird tree [Am] When the howling wind doth wail [Dm] On the Namoi late at [Am] night [Am] You can hear the old ones singing [F] As they dance in the pale moon [Am] light [Am] Oh there were many more names I can't recall [Dm] But their faces I still [Am] see [Am] Old Whisper Smith's kind face appears [Dm] As I dream of the pretty bird [Am] tree Namoi [C] River You're home to [Am] me [F] I sit with you 'neath the pretty bird tree

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