

Kingston Market

Words & Music:
Irving Burgie

Burgie penned many of Harry Belafonte's calypso hits. He was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame in 2007.

E A B7 E
Have you ever seen a rainbow or a garden blooming bright,
E A B7 E
Heard the shuffle of a thousand feet and drums from morning 'til night?

CHORUS:

E A B7 E
Come we go down, come we go down, come we go down to Kingston market.
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Come we go down, come we go down, down to Kingston market.

Get your tamarind and sour sop, mangoes and casaba,
Bread fruit okra pigeon peas, curry goat and guava.

CHORUS:

Do you know a brown skin maiden with sunshine in her eyes?
Heard the swallow and the hummingbird sing happy as she goes by?

CHORUS:

Have you seen the ghost of Morgan or heard a tale you hadn't ought to?
Have you welcomed the coming dawn with a rum an' cocoanut water?

CHORUS: