

PROFUSION

Time Sig: 4/4
BPM: 127

SIMON + RICHARD	CHOIR
<p><i>We plucked a poem out of a book, scissored it off while the words and letters still popped, while the lines and stanzas curtsied and blushed</i></p>	
<p><i>We dried and pressed it between the years, between cherry leaves. That makes no sense. Then folded and folded it, posted into a hole in a stone-fruit tree.</i></p> <p><i>Dark days went away When you came</i></p> <p><i>It was an old-style, home-style poem. Meaning what? Meaning blossom as light, blossom as hope after winter's tunnel, after the narrow dark.</i></p> <p><i>Dark days went away When you came</i></p> <p><i>The plan was to reignite the living flame if the flame went out. Hey presto, in April the poem budded and bloomed and we read it, chanted it, knew it by heart</i></p>	<p><i>Dark days went away When you came</i></p> <p><i>Dark days went away When you came</i></p>

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*And all the light of you
And all the noise of you
The whole world blooms
The whole world blooms*

*But it blossomed again
in July, then again
in December, drunk
on meltwater, drugged
with the tepid milk
of the winter sun. What had we done?*

*And all the light of you
What on earth have we done
And all the noise of you
What on earth have we done*

*Light of you
All the noise of you
The whole world blooms
The whole world blooms*

*All the light of you
What on earth have we done
All the noise of you
What on earth have we done*

*The streets are learning
the language of plum blossom
The trees have spoken*

*Pink cherry blossom
drifts past the heavy windows
of airport hotels*

*Spec of white blossom
on the boss's new blue suit
First cuckoo of spring*

*Dark days went away
When you came*

*Cherry in full bloom
de-feathered by Friday's storm
Fresh sparrow hawk strike*

*The bees buy and sell
It's market day on Plum Street
Pollen changes hands*

*Dark days went away
When you came*

*The wild cherry tree
dumped me, then brought me flowers
then dumped me again*

Done

*(Everyone speaks this line)
The trees have spoken*

*Dark days went away
When you came*

*Dark days went away
When you came*

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*And all the light of you
And all the noise of you
The whole world blooms
The whole world blooms*

*Wind plays through the boughs
Today a pear tree in bloom
tomorrow a flute*

*Ignite the beacons
News of the blackthorn's return
travels hill to hill*

*Charged by evening sun
the cherry tree in the field
stays lit after dark*

*And all the light of you
What on earth have we done
And all the noise of you
What on earth have we done*

*Creamy blossom spilt
on frozen ground. The hawthorn
came prematurely*

*Old Jaguar parked
under apple blossom tree
becomes snow leopard*

*Constellations bloom
in orchards of April skies
The stars blossomise*

*Light of you
All the noise of you
The whole world blooms
The whole world blooms*

*All the light of you
What on earth have we done
All the noise of you
What on earth have we done*