

The World Collection



Matilda (Span)

Ma - til - da Ma - til da, Ma - til da she take me mon-ey and
 run Ve-ne-zue - la. Five hund-red dol-lars, friends, I lost,
 Wo-man ev - en sell me cart and horse.
 Ma-til da she take me mon-ey and run Ven-ez-ue - la.

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Matilda, Matilda, Matilda, she take me money and run Venezuela.
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2. Well, the money was just inside me bed, stuck up
 in a pillow beneath me head,
 Don't you know, Matilda, she take me money
 and run Venezuela. Everybody, Matilda, etc.
3. Well, me friends, never to love again - all me
 money gone in vain, heya,
 Matilda, she take me money and run Venezuela.
 Matilda, etc.
4. Well, the money was to buy me house an' lan',
 then she got a serious plan,
 Matilda, she take me money and
 run Venezuela. Matilda, etc.



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First recorded in the 1930s by King Radio
 (Norman Span), more people know the
 song from Harry Belafonte, who had a hit
 with in in 1953.