

## The World Collection



### Matilda (Span)

Calypso song

Sheet music for ukulele in D major, 4/4 time. The music consists of four staves of tablature with lyrics underneath. Chords indicated above the staff include D, G, A, and D.

Matilda (Span) lyrics:

- Matilda da, Matilda da, Matilda she take me money and run Venezuela.
- Five hundred dollars, friends, I lost,
- Woman even sell me cart and horse.
- Matilda da she take me money and run Venezuela.

### Matilda

Matilda, Matilda, Matilda, she take me money and run Venezuela.  
Matilda, Matilda, Matilda, she take me money and run Venezuela.

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.



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