

# La Paloma

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C C C G7  
Cuando salí de la Habana Válgame Dios!  
G7 G7 C C  
Nadie me ha visto salir, si no fui yo.  
C C G7 G7  
Y una linda guachinanga ¡allá voy yo!  
G7 G7 C C  
que se vino tras de mí, que sí señor.

C C G7 G7  
Si a tu ventana llega una paloma,  
G7 G7 C C  
trátala con cariño que es mi persona.  
C C G7 G7  
Cuéntale tus amores, bien de mi vida,  
G7 G7 C C  
corónala de flores, que es cosa mía.

C C  
Ay, chinita que sí!  
C G7  
Ay, que dame tu amor!  
G7 G7 G7 C C  
Ay, que vente conmigo, chinita, a donde vivo yo!

Ay, chinita que sí!  
Ay, que dame tu amor!  
Ay, que vente conmigo, chinita, a donde vivo yo!

When I left Havana, help me God!  
nobody saw me leaving, it was just I.  
And a pretty artful-flatterer, there I go!  
she just was after me, yes sir, she was.

If to your window happens to come a dove,  
treat it with loving care, for it's my own.  
Tell her your love affairs, my loving one,  
and crown her with flowers, for she is mine.

Ay, chinita, that's right, 3.  
Ay, please give me your love,  
Ay, you come with me, chinita, to wherever is my  
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