

They Call the Wind Maria

lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner and music by Frederick Loewe , from "Paint Your Wagon" (1951)

*C*_(½) *Am*_(½) *C*_(½) *Am*_(½) *C*_(½) *Am*_(½) *C*_(½) *Am*_(½)
 Away out west, they have a name, for rain and wind and fire,
*C*_(½) *Am*_(½) *C* *Am*_(½) *Dm7*_(¼) *G7*_(¼) *C*_(½) *Am*_(½) *C*_(½) *Am*_(½)
 The rain is Tess, the fire's Joe, and they call the wind Ma ria.
*C*_(½) *Am*_(½) *C*_(½) *Am*_(½) *C*_(½) *Am*_(½) *C*
 Maria blows the stars around and sets the clouds a-flying;
Am *Em* *Fma7*_(½) *G7*_(½) *C*_(½) *Am*_(½) *C*_(½) *Am*_(½)
 Maria makes the mountains sound like folks up there were dyin'.

Am Am Em Em
 Ma ria Ma ria
*Am*_(½) *Em*_(½) *Fma7*_(½) *G7*_(½) *C*_(½) *Am*_(½) *C*_(½) *Am*_(½)
 They call the wind Ma ria

Before I knew Maria's name or heard her wail and whinin',
 I had a gal and she had me, and the sun was always shinin'.
 And then one day I left that gal, I left her far behind me;
 And now I'm lost, I'm gone and lost, not even God can find me.

Maria Maria
 They call the wind Maria

Out here, they've got a name, for rain, for wind and fire only,
 And when you're lost and all alone, there ain't no word for lonely.
 Well I'm a lost and lonely man, without a star to guide me,
 Maria blow my love to me, I need my gal beside me

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 Blow my love to me