

Ich Gehör Nur Mir – I belong to me

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I will not be quiet or modest or biddable
Saddled and bridled and broken and pitiable
I will be no one's property
For I belong to me

I dream of seeing the world from a higher ground
To stand on the ice until it breaks and I am drowned
I don't care if you do not agree
For I belong to me

If you seek to train me, you force me to flee
To run away with all of my might
Try to contain me, I'll tear myself free
And soar like an eagle in flight

If I want the stars then I'll find myself among them
I'll grow and I'll learn and I'll stay just the way I am
I will be only who I want to be
For I belong to me

I will not be burdened with your worries and your cares
Molested from collar to hemline by foreign stares
My inner self is not for you to see
For I belong to me

And if you wish to hold me, don't tell me what's best
My life is mine to give or keep
And if you wish to mold me, I'll forsake your nest
And dive like a gull in the deep

I long for friendship and search for security
I share my sadness and I share my ecstasy
You can curse me or bless me
But you'll never possess me
For I belong to me
To me