

River by Neal Jolly

River was written in 2016 in response to the tidal River Camel as it flows from Wadebridge out to the coast near Padstow. The song follows the different conditions of the river as I walked/cycled along the Camel Trail.

The number of times each part is sung depends on the speed of the river and how desperate one is to get to the cool clear water of the estuary or even into the open ocean.

In this recording I use the generic 'River', instead of 'Camel'. Of course you could sing the name of any appropriate local river with a 2 syllable name (Severn, Avon, Itchin, or whatever)

**In the soft brown mud of the river
I wriggle my toes and I jiggle my knees
And follow the current wherever I please**

(could sing 'wherever it leads' instead of 'wherever I please')

In the golden sand of the river.....

In the cool clear water of the river.....

In the deep dark water of the ocean.....

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