

# EAST VIRGINIA BLUES

TRADITIONAL

When I left old East Virginia  
North Carolina did I roam  
There I met a fair young lady  
What was her name I did not know

Her hair it was a bright red curly  
Her cheeks they were a ruby red  
Upon her breast she wore a ribbon  
Oh how I wish that I was there

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On how I wish that I was there ||

Her Papa said that we might marry  
Her Mama said that would not do  
So come here dear and I will tell you  
I will tell you what I will do

Some dark night we'll take a ramble  
We will run away from here  
Some dark night we'll take a ramble  
We will run away from here

|| Oooo ooo Oooo ooo ||  
|| We will run away from here ||

I'll go back to East Virginia  
North Carolina ain't my home  
I'll go back to East Virginia  
Leave old North Carolina alone

For I'd rather be in some dark holler  
Where the sun refused to shine  
Than for you to be another man's woman  
Never on earth to call you mine

|| Oooo oooo Oooo ooo ||  
|| Never on earth to call you mine ||