

DIAMONDS ON THE SOLES OF HER SHOES

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Music and Lyrics Paul Simon, Joseph Shabalala

(A-wa a-wa) A-wu tra ile ile ganjan
(A-wa a-wa) kodwa-ze zogenli sa namjange
(A-wa a-wa) si-bona kwenze ka kanjani
(A-wa a-wa) amanto bazane ayazo

(A-wa a-wa x2) She's a rich girl, she don't try to hide it
(A-wa a-wa x2) Diamonds on the soles of her shoes
(A-wa a-wa x2) He's a poor boy, empty as a pocket,
Empty as a pocket with nothing to lose

Sing ta na na (ta na na), Ta na na na (ta na na)
She got diamonds on the soles of her shoes
(A-wa a-wa) Ta na na (ta na na), Ta na na na (ta na na)
She got diamonds on the soles of her shoes

(A-wa a-wa) Diamonds on the soles of her shoes x4

Zulu (with slight phonetic!)

*"It's not usual but in our days we see those things happen.
They are women, they can take care of themselves."*

People say she's crazy
She got diamonds on the soles of her shoes
Well, that's one way to lose these walking blues
Diamonds on the soles of her shoes

She was physically forgotten
Then she slipped into my pocket with my car keys
She said you've taken me for granted, because I please you
Wearing these diamonds

And I could say Oo oo oo, Oo oo oo, Oo oo oo
As if everybody knows what I'm talking about
As if everyone would know exactly what I'm talking about
Talking about diamonds on the soles of her shoes

[BREAK]

She makes the sign of a teaspoon
He makes the sign of a wave
The poor boy changes clothes and puts on after-shave
To compensate for his ordinary shoes

She said, "Honey, take me dancing"
But they ended up sleeping in a doorway
By the bodegas and the lights on Upper Broadway
Wearing diamonds on the soles of their shoes

And I could say Oo oo oo, Oo oo oo, Oo oo oo,
And everyone would know what I was talking about
I mean everyone would know exactly what I was talking about
Talking about diamonds

[BREAK]

People say I'm crazy
I got diamonds on the soles of my shoes
Well, that's one way to lose these walking blues
Diamonds on the soles of our shoes

Ta-na na-na-na, ta-na na-na-na x15

Oo oo oo, Oo oo oo, Oo oo oo x5