# Marie Laveau

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**The most famous of all the voodoo queens that ever existed is Marie Laveau, down in Louisiana. There’s a lot of weird, ungodly tales about Marie. She’s supposed to have a lot of magic potions, n’ spells n’curses…**

**INTRO: / 1 2 3 4 / [A] / [A] /**

**[A]** Down in Louisiana, where the **[A]** black trees grow

Lives a **[A]** voodoo lady named Ma-**[A]**rie Laveau

She got a **[D]** black cat tooth and a **[D]** Mojo bone

And **[A]** anyone who wouldn't **[A]** leave her alone

She'd go **[E7]** eeeeeee-**[E7]↓**ee! Another man done **[A]** gone **[A]**

She **[A]** lives in a swamp in a **[A]** hollow log

With a **[A]** one-eyed snake and a **[A]** three-legged dog

She's got a **[D]** bent, bony body and **[D]** stringy hair

And **[A]** if she ever seen y'all **[A]** messin’ round there

She'd go **[E7]** eeeeeee-**[E7]↓**ee! Another man done **[A]** gone **[A]**

And **[D]** then one night when the **[D]** moon was black

**[A]** Into the swamp come **[A]** handsome Jack

A **[B]** no-good man like **[B]** you all know

And he was **[E7]↓** lookin’ around for Marie Laveau

He said Ma-**[A]**rie Laveau **[A]** you lovely witch

A-**[A]**gimme a little charm that'll **[A]** make me rich

A-**[D]**gimme a million dollars n’ I’ll **[D]** tell you what I'll do

**[A]** This very night, I'm gonna **[A]** marry you

Then it'll be **[E7]** mmmmmmm-**[E7]↓**mm!Another man done **[A]** gone **[A]**

So Ma-**[D]**rie done some magic, and she **[D]** shook a little sand

**[A]** Made a million dollars and she **[A]** put it in his hand

Then she **[B]** giggled and she wiggled and she **[B]** said “Hey, Hey!

**[E7]↓** I'm getting ready for my wedding day!”

But old **[A]** handsome Jack he said “Good-**[A]**bye Marie

**[A]** You're too damned ugly for a **[A]** rich man like me

Then Ma-**[D]**rie started mumblin’, her **[D]** fangs started gnashin’

Her **[A]** body started tremblin’, and her **[A]** eyes started flashin’

And she went **[E7]** eeeeeee-**[E7]↓**ee! Another man done **[A]** gone **[A]**

So if you **[A]** ever get down where the **[A]** black trees grow

And meet a **[A]** voodoo lady named Ma-**[A]**rie Laveau

If **[D]** she ever asks you to **[D]** make her your wife

Man, you’d **[A]** better stay with her for the **[A]** rest of your life

Or it'll be **[E7]** oooooooo-**[E7]↓**ee!Another man done **[A]** gone **[A] /** **[A]↓**

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