

# The Okapi

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## Verse 1

In the shadows, by the trees, in the silence, something breathes.  
Not a word now, not a sound, something's passing over-ground.  
Don't you move now, not a stir, there's a flash of velvet fur.  
Just a moment in the day, then it turns and moves away.

## Chorus

The okapi passes by, with its head held high,  
In the forest where it roams, in the shadows, all alone.  
The okapi passes by, and it turns with a watchful eye.  
The okapi passes by, with its head held high,  
In the forest all alone, and at peace in its silent home.

## Verse 2

With its fur of reddish brown, it is hidden, never found.  
Stretching up and through the trees, for the taste of budding leaves.  
It is hearing ev'ry sound, ev'ry movement on the ground,  
In the forest it will stay, ancient trails guiding its way.

## Chorus

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In the forest where it roams, in the shadows, all alone.  
The okapi passes by, and it turns with a watchful eye.  
The okapi passes by, with its head held high,  
In the forest all alone, and at peace in its silent home.  
And at peace in its silent home.



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