The Merry Mary Rose

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Oh I wish one day that a man will build, A time machine for travelling to places filled, Full of wonder, pleasure and history, So I could visit ev'rything I want to see.

Going back in time would be so grand,
I'd even try to see the land,
Where dinosaurs would eat you in a single bite,
And treat you as a lovely little breakfast in a distant land.

But the single thing I would love to see,
Was built right here in Portsmouth for the King's Navy,
I would go to cheer as she left the shore,
To pitch right into battle and go waging war.

She was built to fight for you and me,
The pride and envy of the sea,
Old Henry wanted to make sure,
He had the ship to win the war,
The flagship of the fleet: The Merry Mary Rose.

When she first set sail it was time for tea,
The Captain was as bold and brave as he could be,
He was Edward Howard and looked the part,
With shiny buttons and a hat he was so smart.

As he gave the order no one thought, That this great ship which was so haut, Would end up at the bottom of the sea, Because she sank in battle, Not so merry was The Merry Mary Rose!

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