# **NEW ROUTINE - DITCHBIRD**

How many time have I lived this life, how many Weak attempts have I tried Have I tried, to get it right, get it right and failed

Been spinning circles baby round n round Benn too damn tired to cover any fresh ground Just sitting round all day trading screens

> I need a new routine, to get me through the days New routine, can you help me babe

Built my little castle keeping everything near But I been inside so long I'm gonna disappear Just float away like a smoke ring

Getting pretty good at falling in and out of style But I've been out now for quite a while Got lost inside a daydream just like a child

- CHORUS -

Covering all the windows boarding em up Making sure the doors are shut If I can't beat 'em then I'm going to sleep Ain't like anybody is out there looking for me

Just a hell hound barking away the best hours of my life There's gotta be more here than just distractions till we die And listening to the sound of the nearby trains Wondering what would happen if I took the reigns

- CHORUS -

# AMERICAN AVERAGE - DITCHBIRD

I slept through the morning, missed coffee and eggs All I was thinking about, is where she laid her head Been a long hard year, and the summer was way too hot We didn't get what we wanted baby, barely got what we got

Trippin through the season once again Bored of the carnival from end to end

> Just kids grown up The new American average way All our time well wasted Thinking someone's gonna save us

Sift through my jacket for change, it's just receipts and old gum wrappers I wanna take away your sadness, but I can't so what's it matter My old man worked his ass off, shop was open 24 hours a day I act like I understand like I'm, anything the same way

But I'd trade my soul for a piece of pie Casting shadows from a misfit eye

- CHORUS -

Another man done gone Another man done gone

- CHORUS -

## YOU FREAK ME OUT SOMETIMES - DITCHBIRD

See you sitting there with your headphones Atop the wild things that your head holds I've been drifting around your orbit again All around your orbit again

Like a hot sun upon springtime trees Your beauty puts a blush on me It's game over again Game over my friend

> You glide around the house barely making a sound Like Morticia Addams in a yellow gown The closest thing to flying that I ever found With feet still touching the ground But I ain't gonna lie, you freak me out sometimes You freak me out sometimes

Been inking a name in my notebooks for years Been seeing a face when clouds appear Like you've always been here Always been near

I could ride a life shotgun for you Be braver than an outlaw stepping up at high noon In a new bandolier No fear no fear

> Cuz you're as peaceful as a blueberry cupcake Sale on a sunny street You're as wild and just as sweet As a summer cherry tree But I ain't gonna lie, you freak me out sometimes You freak me out sometimes

### **GOLDEN STANDARD - DITCHBIRD**

Middle of the night under pale moon light Your skin glistening like a jewel Shiver in the heat with heaven at our feet We're blue but we're cool

> And my bones are stacked like bibles And you know the way You rise like steam like god would And in a glance you set them ablaze

> > Pretty little thing Nothing one else no way no how Yes I am believing You're my golden standard, golden standard now

On a night like this all we can do is try and miss And somehow outrun the sadness Like dodging leaves that spin frenzied on the wind Whistling right on past us

> I spent years covered up in fear Leaving pieces of me scattered around You found them all, created somehow This mosaic out of what you found

- CHORUS -

Crazy how some people seem To have no beginning or end Just eternal love light burning

- CHORUS -

## **DUMB LUCK - DITCHBIRD**

Brain power hovering around 15% Not sure I what I said but it probably wasn't what I meant Had another epic night now another day is spent But I got a thing on Friday that'll pay the rent

It's cool though as long as I keep Feeding the dogs their salmon and meat Gotta keep em healthy unlike me I'm breaking wide open like a bicycle seat

> Basing my decisions on dumb luck Wondering why all the doors are shut Come to my conclusions on dumb luck Daring the world to tear me up

I tried a new style but the pants are too short Cuz I didn't have energy to try them on in the store But you never lose if you don't keep the score Been feeling less mature Pauley Shore

> I'm the king of wing it you can have the crown I always got a good friend around Going town to town barely making a buck Making my decisions on dumb luck

### Solo

- CHORUS 1 -

- CHORUS 2 -

### LUCKY ONE - DITCHBIRD

Standing at the top of a long green hill I said if I don't do it now I probably never will I bet you don't remember Cuz I say corny stuff like that all the time

My head hangin low on the road again Throwing roses at your feet like the grave of a friend Slowly coming back to life like midnight ghosts That scares the hell out of the young kids and some of the old

Oh to be the lucky one Welcomed back like a prodigal son Simba being offered the promised land It's yours if you can keep it, in the palm of your hand Oh be the lucky one Be the lucky one

I'd be the star of your movie if you let me in I'd learn to turn you on in my weird little ways Instead of passing through each other hardly catching eyes Maybe being noticed like a tenth of the time

I see you gathered in the light on the edge of town Like an indie hero with your hair all down I wanna stand in stride and learn to sing your song In a broken two part harmony and not care if it's wrong Ohh and be the lucky one

> I built some things in life that crumbled down Cheeked poison pills of whatever came around But now I'm really am trying To give you the time of your life Once again

Surrounded by cheap frames and clinking knives We're salting our plates for taste night after night One day it's here the next it's gone And I'm so tired of staying busy just mowing the lawn I'd like to know for once that something here is real Somebody somewhere somehow tell me what to feel I could go for a drink or maybe two I wanna take you on a date and impress the hell out of you Oh be the luck one Be your lucky one

### **ARMS LENGTH AWAY - DITCHBIRD**

I got a heavy heart And a back that's carrying some weight And you that know when I say, that I'll be home soon I'm probably coming in late

Got a message from A friend I haven't seen In years or so it seems, saying he ain't feeling right Ain't been aging at all like wine

> And it's been since your wedding day Since we've had anything to say Man it always feels this way You're always an arms length away

You said you miss me Even when we're in the same room It's like we are seeing right through, to the walls behind But not for lack of trying

Got nothing going on tonight Maybe how about you Could grab your favorite shoes, and let's get out of here Out of our selfish little worlds

> Cuz little notes left on the counter Is all we have to say Did it always feel this way Always an arms length away

> > Couple of ships that lost their lights Slowly passing in the night We thought the course we set was right Now I miss you so much, miss you so much

Said you feel like you're left on read Like I'm skipping over every word you said But I ain't trying to treat you this way Always an arms length away

#### **BROTHERS - DITCHBIRD**

I love you just like a brother But I hate you just like one too It's easy to tell We've been through hell And it's getting harder to do

Wake up in the back of a Chevy van again Open one eye just to shut it There ain't no way to face the day the way this feels Someone take the wheel

From what I recall we killed it But we left without getting paid again But we're young and dumb so don't need it But one day soon we will

- CHORUS -

Three weeks in overseas

That's where you got the nickname shaky knees We were both lucky that no one else could see All we had in our bloodstreams

Now you're folded up like a note Secret and stuck under a door frame And you don't pick up when you see the name Of anyone you recognize

- CHORUS -

And you heard it from your mother You heard it from your girl too And I love you just like a brother You said I know you do