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**PREFACE** in the dreamtime red winged parrot girl and her lover spinney lizard boy crossed the sea to escape from their parents who disapproved of their love they landed at darwin and made camp by a billabong spinney lizard boy went out hunting to the south when he did not return red winged parrot girl lamented "oh where is my love where is my love" red winged parrot girl set out to the south to find him she shed tears which fell as rain where ever she went from broome to perth to ceduna to geelong she searched for her love lamenting "oh where is my love" her tears formed streams and gullies where ever she went from sydney to cairns to alice springs to burke all over the land she went lamenting" oh where is my love" each girl she met in her dreams she came to see if their love was her lost lover in each girls dreams she hoped to find her lost love at night she came to girls dream world to dance and sing with their lovers hoping that it was her lost spinney lizard boy when each girl met her lover red winged parrot girl was their in their minds hoping to find her lost lover whenever it rains it is red winged parrot girl crying rain because she did not find her lover in the dreams of a girl

**Berrigan Berrigan**

**Neath wattle**

**From the kiss of thee**

**From the kiss of thee**

**My breasts kangaroo apple little buds**

**Kangaroo apple little buds**

**Grow plump to the nipples blood floods**

**From the kiss of thee**

**From the kiss of thee**

**Berrigan Berrigan**

**Alinga**

**On river bank**

**Skwark skwark**

**To cockatoo black screech**

**Nowra Nowra**

**We made love**

**Skwark skwark**

**To cockatoo black screech**

**Neath cool trees**

**Colour of cloud leaves**

**To cockatoo black screech**

**Skwark skwark**

**We made love**

**Kala**

**Black clouds sparking with fire**

**Turbulent sky**

**Boom boom**

**Smoldering clouds rush by**

**The moon full Miki and I with desire**

**Turbulent sky**

**Boom boom**

**Orchid petals lay about**

**Making love through out the night**

**Turbulent sky**

**Boom boom**

**In loves throws I shout**

**Making love through out the night**

**Gymea**

**Sun shower**

**At noon day hour**

**In tea tree mia mia Nambur and I**

**Ta ta tatatata ta ta tatatata**

**Rain drops on roof**

**Ta ta tatatata ta ta tatatata**

**Nambur and I**

**To the rain drops on roof**

**Ta ta tatatata ta ta tatatata**

**In loves rhythm**

**To rain drops on roof**

**Ta ta tatatata ta ta tatatata**

**Alkina**

**The wind Barega**

**Carries our sighs**

**Carries or sighs**

**Barega to the starry sky**

**Carries our sighs**

**Elouera**

**On riverbank hidden in reeds**

**Balun and I hidden in reeds**

**Crows fly up**

**Fark fark**

**Giving us away hidden in reeds**

**Fark fark**

**Our legs curled together hidden in reeds**

**Crows fly up**

**Giving us away hidden in reeds**

**Fark fark**

**Amarina**

**To meet**

**Uwan calls**

**Going for flowers to Murrumbidgee**

**Flower petals on secret love bed**

**In bush thickest I conceal**

**Unwan calls**

**Leaves scattering the sunlight**

**Unwan calls**

**Shadows dance in noon day sun**

**My breasts heave ripe wild fruit**

**Unwan calls**

**Kamballa**

**White cockatoo White cockatoo**

**Arunta Arunta**

**Beating wings scattering**

**Upwards beating wings**

**Legs arms going weak**

**Arunta Arunta**

**Your love hears them**

**Upwards beating wings**

**Legs arms going weak**

**Akala**

**Summer sun midday rays**

**Leaf scorched by sunlight**

**Marron our love cries**

**Hidden by cicada hum**

**Elouera**

**Clouds rippling thunder**

**Broom broom broom**

**Broom broom broom**

**Nights of scents and blown petals**

**Winds in the tangled acacia**

**Lightning flashes the trees**

**In quite resting place**

**Allambee and me**

**In quite resting place**

**Hot limbs entwined**

**Like vines in the tree**

**Allambee and me**

**Camira**

**Under burning sun**

**White cockatoos to mates call**

**Noopil noopil**

**Jikiding jikiding**

**Noopil noopil**

**Picking herbs**

**Over bent**

**Over bent**

**Prickly lizard scurries by**

**Kami slips his fingers**

**Over bent**

**Between hot thighs**

**Over bent**

**Kami his fingers slid**

**Between hot thighs**

**Over bent**

**Alinga**

**At sunset**

**Orange sun**

**On Barwon banks**

**Hair scattered**

**Kangaroo teeth necklace flying about**

**Hair scattered**

**Mounting Adoni**

**Half-flying**

**Mounting Adoni**

**We make love without deceit**

**Hair scattered**

**Ellin**

**Awake you start**

**Awake you start**

**To crested pigeons**

**Yoowoori yoowoori yoowoori**

**Yoowoori yoowoori yoowoori**

**On sand Daku grips me**

**Deflowered red ochre blood**

**Yoowoori yoowoori yoowoori**

**Yoowoori yoowoori yoowoori**

**Red flowers sprout**

**Red flowers sprout**

**Deflowered red ochre blood**

**On sand Daku grips me**

**Lowanna**

**In hollow**

**In grass**

**I flatten grass**

**Conceal myself**

**Listening**

**Listening**

**Matari my man is coming**

**Sound of dry leaves**

**Matari my man is coming**

**I go to water**

**In hollow**

**Matari my man is coming**

**Alinga**

**Moon stars vanished**

**Alkina and I**

**Monsoon clouds rush by**

**Frogs croaking**

**Burrrp burrrp burrrp burrrp**

**Wet flowers fragrant**

**Darkness creaking with insects**

**Chuurp chuurp churrp churrp**

**Beating hearts**

**Face to face**

**Close embrace**

**Lips to lips**

**Close embrace**

**The seasons turn**

**Our bodies never apart**

**Lips to lips**

**Close embrace**

**Burrrp burrrp burrrp burrrp**

**Alinga**

Will Barega chase me

Like the wind I run

Will Barega chase me

Will Barega chase me

Giggling giggling

Like the wind I run

My breasts sway

Plump breasts sway

Hips sway hips sway

Will Barega chase me

Giggling giggling

**Burilda**

Body coming

Coming inside Balun

River in a lake

Coming inside him

Great flood

Coming inside him

Legs flung wide

Quavering sigh

Crease in my body

Climax subsides

**Connearre**

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