

More Than You'll Ever Know

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This song was written on piano as opposed to the guitar – the music came first, and for a long time I thought it would remain an instrumental piece. It is a light and bouncy number, with a chorus part that I soon began to hear the line “*More Than You'll Ever Know*” with, and it was easy for me to give it that title, even when I didn't really think of writing verses to the song.

At some point later, I suddenly had the words come to me one day as I was thinking of my girlfriend and how I missed her when she was away – the lines

“I miss you more and more each day” and

“I've got to find a way to be with you every night, be with you every day” were just so easy, simple, and expressive that it was hard to imagine the song in any other way. The rest of the song was finished in minutes once I had established the focus and tone of the lyrics.

I'm sure there have been a million songs written about one partner missing the other. I was reflecting on the feeling that a woman's presence really makes the difference between a “house” and a “home”, when I wrote the chorus part:

“Counting the days until you're back where you belong “

“nothing can be right and it's just empty when you're gone. . .”

When you have occasion to miss your loved one who is away on some trip, I hope you can enjoy this song and the meaning behind the lyrics!

- John