

# **Story** Music and Lyrics by Aline Shader (1994)

### Verse 1

Up in a tree was a fledgling, blue, alongside a fine-feathered friend so true The young one began, "I have tried my wings, I know very well why the songbird sings Oh, I've listened in on a lot of things and I have heard the north wind call.

You see, I practice my turns and I do my twists but now as the cold winter wind insists I think I'm not ready, not quite from here to be on my own through the night this year It's such a long way for a flight, I fear I'm still a little bit too small.

#### Refrain

So could I hop on your back and away we'll go, catching the breeze for a glide? Imagine me on your back, I'm still small, you know. I'll be careful and grateful if you will decide To let me hop on your back and away we'll go, catching the breeze for a spin Imagine flying away from the ice and snow, I'll be quietly singing, you'll be bringing your passenger in.

#### Verse 2

The fine-feathered friend really loved and cared, "I knew you would ask and I've been prepared We always protect and defend our own, in various ways you could not have known You'll understand better when you have grown, but you have heard the north wind call.

You see the curve of my neck keeps you safe and sound and well out of sight from the distant ground Now you share the secret of our success. How helping each other is happiness. Some day you will offer your own express, but you're a little bit too small.

## Refrain

So you may hop on my back and away we'll go, catching the breeze for a glide Imagine you on my back, and before you know, we'll return in the spring, you can fly at my side Come on and hop on my back and away we'll go

## Part 1

Catching the breeze for a spin Imagine flying away from the ice and snow

And quietly singing And bringing your passenger in

## Part 2

Catching the breeze for a spin Imagine flying away from the ice and snow When you're older and winging

And bringing your passenger in