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Dark Paradise

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Standing on our terrace in twilight's glow,
I gaze at the boundless sky above,
Endless, limitless, eternal.
In awe, I watch the colours shift,
A canvas brushed by the hand of dusk.
The clouds weave a tapestry,
Eloquent, vibrant, serene,
A masterpiece unveiled each eve.
The sun, a quiet artist,
Selects its hues before fading away.

As daylight slips and darkness creeps,
I linger, my thoughts dissolving into night.
I have always been an admirer of the dark,
Waiting for the stars to appear, Tiny
glimmers piercing the velvet sky.
Oh, how I adore them!
A love too vast for words.

Music hums softly from my phone,
The wind runs its fingers through my hair.
Trees sway, their shadows whispering,
Fireflies dance, flickering like fallen stars.
My eyes remain fixed on the ocean above,
Where tiny satellites drift like wanderers,
Stars on a journey,

Dancing in a celestial waltz.

The stars blink in reply to my silent questions,

A quiet language only the heart understands.

I seek answers from the vast unknown,

And the night responds with certainty.

I stand, a speck of dust,

Yet cradled by infinity.

The constellations, the Milky Way's silver haze,

The meteors, fleeting yet brilliant,

The Queen Moon in all her grace,

And the darkness in between, They are my
guides, my magicians, my solace.

They know me better than any other.

I have laughed, I have wept,

I have poured my soul into the night.

It does not judge, only listens,

A quiet guardian, ever watchful.

Grateful, I stand within this vast
expanse, Heard, understood, and
protected.

Each night, a new vision unfolds,

A dark paradise, a cosmic show.

And I, wide-eyed like a child,

Am swept beyond the grasp of time.

In the hush of the universe,

I am home.

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