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As with that album, darkness lurks behind the harmonies, banjos and fiddles. Economic meltdown and realpolitik cynicism are viewed with clear-eyed bitterness in "Crash" and "Men in Robes", but the most shockingly cheery song is "Days at the Seaside with Ice Cream", a jaunty domestic murder ballad from the viewpoint of kids accompanying mum in the car en route to dumping daddy's body in the sea.

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