

# YOU HEARD IT HERE

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## THE WINE SONG By the Youngbloods

This month's song is from a group that had one major hit titled, "**Get Together**", which was on their first album simply titled, "**The Youngbloods**". The Youngbloods were an American rock band consisting of Jesse Colin Young (vocals, bass, guitar), Jerry Corbitt (vocals, guitar, keyboards, harmonica), Lowell "Banana" Levinger (guitar and electric piano), and Joe Bauer (drums). Despite receiving critical acclaim, they never achieved widespread popularity. The song, **Get Together**, only hit number 62 on the Billboard chart until two years later when it cracked the Top 5 (after the National Council of Christians and Jews used the song in television and radio commercials) - it sold over one million copies and received a gold record, awarded by the RIAA, on October 7, 1969. If you haven't heard the song, I would be surprised. The chorus contains that line, "*come on people now, smile on your brother, everybody get together, try to love one another right now*". **(AHHH, now you know it)!** This was their one hit wonder.



**The Wine Song**, which is what we're talking about, is off their second album, "**Earth Music**", released in 1967. The song has an upbeat melody and funky lyrics that suggest that wine's only purpose is to keep "your head stoned all the time". Be it noted this is not the mission of the SES. Still, it's a fun tribute to wine, sherry, and port. ***I do enjoy a good snort of port around a campfire with a cigar, so guilty there. Plus, it's just fun to say snort of port.***

I also like the line about those "*luscious little bottles, sittin' up on the shelf, red, green and yellow Lord, they are somethin' else, hmmm*". It shares a feeling of joy we all get when we go to our favorite winery or wine shop and try to pick out something amidst all those bottles. Oh, and I have no idea what the last line in the song is about, "*get out the bathtub, grandma, and take off your socks!*" I can only surmise she imbibed a bit too much.

**Not much more to say except happy summer and enjoy the foot-tapping tune!!**

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Here's the link to the song:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6r0OOLKPZTw&list=PL90FcmUgZe6CG0ajoWi\\_oROci1cae1Okz&index=15](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6r0OOLKPZTw&list=PL90FcmUgZe6CG0ajoWi_oROci1cae1Okz&index=15)

Some folks like whiskey, whiskey's mighty fine Some folks like moonshine, Lord they drink it all the time My daddy taught me, said, "Son, only way to keep your head in line Drink-a that wine wine, wine Keep your head stoned all the time" (That's what he said) Look at them luscious little bottles, sittin' up on the shelf Red green and yellow, Lord, they are somethin' else, hmmm	They mesmerize me, the way they sparkle and shine Drink-a that wine wine, wine Keep your head stoned all the time One snort of Ruby Port really rings the bell Then a glass of Muscatel sets my head up well Then this sweetest bottle of cheapest sherry wine I say goodbye to my mind While folks around me insist on startin' wars Fightin' and a-hollerin', gettin' awful sore Gotta take some business, I don't pay them no mind Drink-a that wine wine, wine Keep your, head stoned all the time (Tell the truth)	One snort of Ruby Port really rings the bell Then a glass of Muscatel sets my head up well Then this sweetest bottle of cheapest sherry wine I say goodbye to my mind While folks around me insist on startin' wars Fightin' and a-hollerin', gettin' awful sore Gotta take some business, I don't pay them no mind Drink-a that wine wine, wine Keep your head stoned all the time (Spoken) Get out the bathtub, grandma, and take off your socks!
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