

# Elaine

## BEI MIR BISTU SHEIN

music by Sholem Secunda

English lyrics by Sammy Cahn • Yiddish lyrics by Jacob Jacobs

### refrain:

Of all the boys I've known  
And I've known some  
Until I first met you  
I was lonesome  
And when you came in sight dear  
My heart took flight  
And this old world seemed new to me  
I really think you're swell  
I have to admit you  
Deserve someone that really fits you  
And so I racked my brain,  
Trying to explain  
All the things you mean to me

### Yiddish:

Bei mir bis-tu shein  
Bei mir hos-tu chein  
Bist ei-ne bei mir oif der velt  
  
Bei mir bis-tu git  
Bei mir hos-tu "it"  
Bei mir bis-tu tier-re fin gelt  
  
Fiel shei-ne ying-lach  
Ho-ben shoin gevelt nemen mich  
Un foon zay ah-le ois-ge-klebn  
Hob ich nor dich  
  
Bei mir bis-tu shein,  
bei mir hos-tu chein  
Bist ei-ne bei mir oif der velt

### English:

Bei mir bis-tu shein, now let me explain  
Bei mir bistu shein means that you're grand  
Bei mir bis-tu shein, again I'll explain  
It means you're the fairest in the land  
  
I could say bella bella  
even say vun-debar  
Each language only helps to tell you  
How grand you are.  
  
I've tried to explain  
Bei mir bis-tu shein  
So kiss me and say you understand  
  
I could say bella bella  
even say vun-debar  
Each language only helps to tell you  
How grand you are.  
  
I've tried to explain  
Bei mir bis-tu shein  
So kiss me and say you understand

*From the Heart*

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