LYRICS for "The Vegan Album" by Charity and the JAMband

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WE LOVE ANIMALS

VERSE 1

Oh if you care about animals
And you love 'em and adore 'em
And you wanna be kind
Don't eat 'em anymore
You can get all your protein
And nutrients from plants
And you'll feel so good
You'll wanna sing and shout and dance

CHORUS

We love animals So we eat plants instead We love animals It's kind, and we wanna spread it

VERSE 2

You can make plants into Any kind of food Even milk, cheese, butter, eggs And meat substitutes So you favorite meals Don't have to disappear You just learn how to make 'em From a recipe, my dear

CHORUS

We love animals So we eat plants instead We love animals It's kind, and we wanna spread it

BRIDGE

We eat grains, beans and legumes

We eat tempeh, seitan and tofu
We eat so many vegetables, so many fruits
We eat nuts, seeds, herbs and spices, too
And may we all remember to say, "Thank You!"
For this incredible abundance of plant food
Oh it puts me in a really super awesome good mood
Let's do the plant dance to the ... plant groove!

INSTRUMENAL

VERSE 3

Oh you're helping out the planet With a plant-based diet Oh it's better for the land, sea, air And climate So next time you're wonderin' What to put on your plate Choose peace, not harm Choose love, don't wait Does this resonate? Hey, let's celebrate!

CHORUS

We love animals
So we eat plants instead
We love animals
From our toes up to our heads
We love animals
It's kind, and we're gonna spread it
We love animals
So we eat plants instead!

ARE YOU KIND

VERSE 1
Are you kind
Are you kind
In your mind
In your mind
And in your heart
Where the lovin' starts
Are you kind

VERSE 2
Are you kind
To your world
With your actions
And with your words
There are so many
Ways to show up
And be kind
Whoa ho what I want to know is

CHORUS Are you mind

Are you mindful Are you generous

Are you helpful

VERSE 3

Are you kind to people
Yeah yeah
And are you kind to animals
Oh yeah
Are you kind to plants
And are you kind to
Our mother earth

VERSE 5
And do you include
Everyone
Leaving no one out
Not a single one
You know nobody's free
'Til everybody has freedom
'Til every single being has freedom
Whoa ho what I want to know is

CHORUS Are you kind Are you caring Are you loving Are you welcoming

BRIDGE And sometimes It's hard to be kind
Like when you're feeling angry, sad
Or scared, overwhelmed
Or confused
But it's ok
'Cause everybody has hard days
Maybe for today
You can just be kind to yourself
'Cause that's important too

VERSE 5
So send some love
To yourself
And send some more love
To everyone else
We can fill up the world
With lovin' and carin' and kindness
Whoa ho what I certainly know is

CHORUS

You are kind And you hold yourself responsible For your choices Around how to act in this 'ol world And you listen And keep checkin' in And you show up And you're a true, true friend You're considerate And your heart is big and free Oh you're kind Cause that's who you wanna be That's who you wanna be That's who you wanna be Well that's who you wanna be That's who you wanna be

COWS ARE AMAZING

CHORUS
Cows are amazing

And they're part of our community Cows are amazing Gotta treat 'em like family They're as special as you or me

VERSE 1

What can we learn about cows?
They're gentle and giant
They're curious and interactive
They come running when something interesting's afoot
And prefer to hang out in herds
They build such deep friendships
And complex relationships
They love to groom each other
And they love a good ear massage
Their babies are called calves
And they love their those babies so much
Oh a mama will walk for miles
To find her baby if they ever get lost
I hope they never get lost
Each one an individual

CHORUS

Pigs are amazing
And they're part of our community
Pigs are amazing
We gotta treat 'em like family
They're as worthy as you or me

Unique in their own way

VERSE 2

What can we learn about pigs?
They're incredibly intelligent
And extremely friendly and clean
They they've got their own language for communicating
And they hang out together in drifts
They have complex social structures
Create long-lasting bonds and friendships
They cover themselves in mud to stay cool
And they really love a good belly rub
Their babies are called piglets
And they love those babies so much
Oh they love to take lots of cuddly naps
With each other in a big old pile

Big ol' piggy pile Each one an individual Unique in their own way

CHORUS

Chickens are amazing
And they're part of our community
Chickens are amazing
We gotta treat 'em like family
They're as important as you or me

VERSE 3

What can we learn about chickens? Chickens evolved from dinosaurs And they can sleep with one eye open They remember and recognize faces And have 30 unique vocalizations They can even see In ultraviolet and infrared light They have feelings and show empathy And they love to be held and petted Their babies are called chicks And they love those babies so much They can even talk back and forth with their babies While they're still inside their egg shells Still inside their little egg shells Each one an individual Unique in their own way

BRIDGE

How do we treat
The beings in our community
The members of our family
We treat them with respect
And generosity
And care and kindness
And compassion and understanding
With joy and celebration
With connection and protection
With welcoming and love
Always love

CHORUS

Horses are amazing and they're part of our community

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SCIENCE

VERSE 2

VERSE 1
Science tells us
Some real true facts
You can get all your protein
And nutrients from plants
Oh It's better for your body
And I know you will find
If you eat more plants
You'll be feeling so fine
Better for your body
Better for your body

Oh science tells us
That animals can feel
They have emotions and inner lives
That are true and real
If you love those animals
It's better for your heart
To eat more plants

Now that's a great start Better for your heart

Better for your heart

VERSE 3
Oh science tells us
That to solve climate change
We need to reduce our footprint
Of carbon and methane
So do the math

And it'll be good for your mind
To eat more food
Of the plant kind
Better for your mind
Better for your mind
Oh science

MAKING COOKIES FROM PLANTS

VERSE 1

You get the sugar from the cane or the coconut You get the chocolate chips from the cacao bean You get the walnuts and the cashews from the little nut tree You get the flour from the wheat or something gluten-free You get the oil from the fat of those chubby veggies Coconut, avocado, sunflower pretty please

CHORUS

We're makin' cookies from plants
Oh do a little dance
We're makin' cookies from plants
Do a little cookie dance
We're makin' cookies from plants
Come on take a little chance
We're makin' harmless, humane
Compassionate, deliciously insane cookies

VERSE 2

We'll make a homemade egg from a little ground flax
And then the mama hen doesn't even have to feel sad
We'll make our own yummy milk from seeds, legumes, nuts or grains
And then the mama cow can keep her milk for her baby
And then the cows and the chickens can get back to their lives
While we make cookies that will blow our minds

CHORUS

Makin' cookies from plants
Oh do a little dance
We're makin' cookies from plants
Do a little cookie dance
We're makin' cookies from plants
Come on take a little chance

We're makin' harmless, humane Compassionate, deliciously insane cookies Do the cookie dance!

INSTRUMENTAL

BRIDGE

So yummy

In my tummy

Harm-free

Gimme a C-O-O-K-I-E

Cookie cookie cookie cookie cookie cookie cookie cookie cookie cookie!

Oatmeal raisin

Chocolate chip

Fortune, sugar

Peanut butter chocolate dipped

Gingerbread, sandwich

Shortbread, too

Molasses, whoopie pie

Snickerdoodle-doo

Gingersnap, wafer

Cookie like a kiss (mwah!)

Macaron, macaroon

Crinkle and spritz

So many cookies

So little time

When we make 'em from plants

We'll be feelin' fine

How's that for a cookie rhyme?

VERSE 3

So here's how I feel now I'm tellin' you straight I don't wanna eat animals or anything they make So from the bounty of the gardens and the bushes and the trees

And the sun and the rain, soil, air and seeds

Oh we'll grow enough food for all the people to eat

Yeah we'll grow enough fruits and veggies you'll see

We'll grow enough food for everybody

We can grow enough plants for every cookie

CHORUS

Makin' cookies from plants Oh do a little dance

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We're makin' cookies from plants
Come on take a little chance
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Compassionate, deliciously insane cookies

THAT'S WHAT KINDNESS LOOKS LIKE TODAY

VERSE 1

If you ever see a spider creepin' round your room
There's no need to be afraid, it's just doin' what spiders do
So carefully put it in a cup and carry it outside
Set it free
Let the spider live it's spider life

CHORUS

Oh, that's what kindness looks like today (La la la-la-la, la la la-la-la)

VERSE 2

Well if you see a tiny ant crawling cross the path Why not pause for a moment and let the ant pass Oh it's probably got important business to attend to And would prefer Not to be stepped on, just like you

CHORUS

Oh, that's what kindness looks like today (La la la-la-la, la la la-la-la)

VERSE 3

If you see a flower blooming wild upon the land
And you really want to pick it and hold it in your hand
Can you sometimes just appreciate it with your eyes and nose
Let it stay in the ground
Let it blossom
Let it grow

BRIDGE

So let's be kind to the spiders And kind to the ants (La la la la la-la la-la)
Kind to the flowers
And every single chance we get
(La la la la la-la la-la-la)
Be kind to each other
With every breath we take
(La la la la la-la la-la-la)
What a beautiful world
We can make

CHORUS

Oh, that's what kindness looks like today Oh, that's what kindness looks like today Oh, that's what kindness looks like today

GENERATE LOVE

CHORUS
Our job
Is to generate love
And put it out
Into the world
Our job
Is to generate love
And put it out
Into the world

VERSE 1
Do you wish that
Everyone, everywhere could be
Happy, safe, healthy and free
That's called lovingkindness
When you wish these good
Things from your heart
For yourself
And for everybody

CHORUS
Our job
Is to generate love
And put it out
Into the world

Our job
Is to generate love
And put it out
Into the world

VERSE 2

Do you feel sad When you see someone who's Suffering and havin' a hard day That's called compassion When you know how they feel And you care And you wanna ease their way

CHORUS

Our job
Is to generate love
And put it out
Into the world
Our job
Is to generate love
And put it out
Into the world

VERSE 3

Do you believe there is
Enough to go around
That we can share with each other
And still be fine
That's called generosity
When you offer up your love
Or your things
Or your time

BRIDGE

We gotta generate love
Cultivate love
Celebrate love
Don't hesitate, just love
Gotta contemplate love
(I can't stop talkin' about love)
Gotta demonstrate love
Elevate love
(I can't stop talkin' about love)

Emanate love Gotta gravitate toward love (I can't stop talkin' about love) Gotta navigate by love Gotta meditate on love (I can't stop talkin' about love) Gotta agitate for love Articulate our love (I can't stop talkin' about love) Gotta orchestrate our love Never underestimate love (I can't stop talkin' about love) Gotta integrate Accelerate (love) Elucidate (love) Liberate (love)

CHORUS

'Cause our job Is to generate love And put it out Into the world Our job Is to generate love And put it out Into the world Our job Is to generate love And put it out Into the world Our job Is to generate love And put it out Into the world

FRIENDS NOT FOOD

VERSE 1

Do we really need to eat animals
To live long and prosper
Do we need their milk, do we need their eggs
To stay healthy, alive and awesome

Do we need their fur, do we need their skin Especially without permission Could we live on plants, 100% And be kinder and happier And healthier earthlings

CHORUS

Can we examine
Our deepest conditioning
And can we look honestly
At our own participation

VERSE 2

Well, you wouldn't drink milk from an aardvark
Or a jaguar or a zebra
Oh it would be really weird if you saw it in the store
And you wouldn't drink it in the wild either
And who decided which creatures
Are ok to eat and which aren't
Oh doesn't it just make a ton more sense
To eat none of 'em

CHORUS

Oh can we question
Our assumptions and definitions
Around justice and equality
Respect and inclusion

INSTRUMENTAL

VERSE 3

What if we freed the cows
And the chickens and the pigs
And the horses and the rabbits
And the little lambs too
And let 'em live with their families
Without the threat of being used
For they do experience pleasure and pain
And fear and love and loss and joy
Oh they wanna be happy and safe and free
They want to live, just like you and me

VERSE 4

Oh can we extract ourselves

From systems of oppression
And can we move closer
To true and lasting liberation
And can we surrender
Our rationalizations
And can we awaken to
Our internalized speciesism

CHORUS

Oh can we widen
Our circle of compassion
To encompass all our animal
Friends and relations

CODA

And let the animals sing Let the animals sing

We're your friends
We're not your food
We have families and feelings
Just like you
We were meant to be
Livin' wild and free
In this world
We're not your food
We are your friends
And we don't wanna be
Your ingredients
And you can help
To bring this harming to an end

We are your friends
We're not your food
And we're part
Of your earthen neighborhood
You know you're not free
'Til we are free
It's true, it's true, it's true
We're not your food
We are your friends
And we don't wanna be
Your ingredients
We're your relatives

Your community
Be kind, be peace, be love
You'll see that
You can bring this harming
To an end

PLANT MILK

VERSE 1
Pour it in a cup
And drink it all up
Bake it into your birthday cake
Or fry it up in a flap jack, griddle cake
Hot cake, pancake
Put it in your cookie dough
Or in your tea or your turmeric latte, oh

PRE-CHORUS Which milk?

Nut milk

What kind of milk?

Seed milk

Whose milk?

Plant milk

What kind of milk?

Dairy-free milk

Rice milk

Nice milk

Soy milk

Joy milk

CHORUS

Plant milk

It makes you dance milk

Give it a chance milk

Start a new romance milk

VERSE 2

Mix it in your hot chocolate
I know you like a lot of it
Derive your ice cream from it
You know it's super creamy, super yummy

Put it in your plant-based mac and cheese Use it in your cereal or oatmeal, please

PRE-CHORUS

Which milk?

Flax milk

What kind of milk?

Pea milk

Whose milk?

Banana milk

What kind of milk?

Could you please pass the

Rice milk

Nice milk

Soy milk

Joy milk

CHORUS

Plant milk

It makes you dance milk

Give it a chance milk

Start a new romance milk

BRIDGE

You know none of this milk comes from a mama cow She makes hers for her babies, and only for her babies So what are we doing? We're not baby cows! Those mother cow udders aren't our property

And we wouldn't drink milk from our dog, now would we? Or a cat or a hamster or a coyote So let's leave that milk where it was meant to be And get our milk instead from the plants we see

And I know you might wonder, do plants have udders? No! Then how do you get milk from oats soy and all the others There's lots of different methods, depending on the plant Soak 'em, grind 'em, blend 'em, strain 'em, something like that You can learn all about it on the Internet

VERSE 3

Oh the milk of human kindness Is the milk that doesn't blind us To the suffering in which we participate When we don't make choices that liberate
What kind of world do you wanna live in?
One where we care for our animal friends?
We'll choose plant milk, cheese, sour cream, yogurt, butter
And nobody has to share their udders! oh

PRE-CHORUS

Which milk?

Oat milk

What kind of milk?

Hazelnut milk

Whose milk?

Pistachio milk

What kind of milk?

Coconut milk

Rice milk

Nice milk

Soy milk

Joy milk

CHORUS

Plant milk

It makes you dance milk

Give it a chance milk

Start a new romance milk

I'm loving me some plant milk

Take a second glance milk

Snap out of your trance milk

Clarify your stance milk

You'll be so advanced milk

Wear your plant pants milk

Lovin' on the plant milk

Start a new romance milk

Plant milk!

LOVE REVOLUTION

VERSE 1

No person is more worthy than any other person No child is more worthy than any other child No being is more worthy than any other being No life is more worthy than any other life What if our society left no one out (no one out)
What if our society included everyone
What if our society took care of all of us (all of us)

PRE-CHORUS
Everyone
The evolution of love
Everyone
Revolutionary love

CHORUS

We need a love revolution We need a love revolution We need a love revolution

VERSE 2

How have we forgotten
The one true thing
Everything is sacred, spirit, soul
Everything is yearning, singing, dancing
To remember we're all part of one cosmic whole
What if in our future we left no one out (no one out)
What if in our future we included everyone
What if in our future we took care of all of us (all of us)

PRE-CHORUS
Everyone
The evolution of love
Everyone
Revolutionary love

CHORUS

We need a love revolution We need a love revolution We need a love revolution We need a love revolution

VERSE 3

The plants, flowers, bushes, grasses and trees
The soil, the water, the air, the sun
People of all colors, callings and creeds
Animals, relations, the sentient ones
What if in our gratitude we left no one out (no one out)
What if in our gratitude we included everyone

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PRE-CHORUS
Everyone
The evolution of love
Everyone
Revolutionary love

CHORUS

You are the love revolution I am the love revolution We are the love revolution We are the love revolution

HOT CHOCOLATE

VERSE 1
You got the little seeds
Growin' on the trees
Smilin' in the breeze
Sayin', sayin'
Pick me, pick me please

VERSE 2
(So sweet)
You got the sugar cane
(So neat)
Growing in the lane
In the sun and in the rain
Sayin', sayin'
We can help you attain your dream of

CHORUS

Hot choco-loco-loco-loco-loco-late
We like a-lot-a-lot-a-lot-a-lot of it
Blow a little
Sip a little
Drink a little down down down
Down down
Drink it down

VERSE 3

You got milk so delicious Made from plants it's auspicious And extra nutritious Sayin', sayin' Drink me, I'm propitious

VERSE 4
(Fire fire)
And now you got the fire
(Fire)
Startin' low and burnin higher
No, the fire's not a liar
Sayin', sayin'
We're never gonna tire
Of makin' some more

CHORUS

Hot choco-loco-loco-loco-loco-late
We like a-lot-a-lot-a-lot-a-lot of it
Blow a little
Sip a little
Drink a little down down down
Down down
Drink it down

VERSE 5

Oh the chocolate comes from the cacao tree (cacao)
Which grows in the shade of the jungle you see (jungle)
The tree makes pods, Inside of which are seeds (seeds)
And the seeds are what we call cocoa beans
You ferment 'em and they turn into our favorite treat (yum)
Which is hot (hot) and steamy and oh so sweet
But do you know who pollinates (who?)
The the flowers of these trees for whom we're so super grateful
You'll never guess even if you try (who?)
It's not a bee or a bird
It's a teeny tiny fly
Called the chocolate midge
And it's not at all scary
Super awesome super cute
And super necessary

BRIDGE

Chocolate midge

That's what I said
Chocolate midge
No bigger than a pinhead
Chocolate midge
Making it possible
Chocolate midge
Even tho it's improbable
Chocolate midge
Flying in the flowers
Chocolate midge
Usin' all your powers
Chocolate midge
Thank you, thank you
Chocolate midge
For helpin' us make

CHORUS

Hot choco-loco-loco-loco-loco-late
We like a-lot-a-lot-a-lot of it
Blow a little
Sip a little
Drink a little down down down
Down down
Drink it down

POWERED BY PLANTS

VERSE 1

Eat 'em raw like others animals do (Chompity-chomp, chompity-chomp) Chop 'em up on your chopping block (Choppity-chop, choppity-chop) Toss 'em into your salad (Tossity-toss, tossity-toss) Make a dressing and pour it on top (Vinegar oil and secret sauce)

VERSE 2

Cook 'em up with some fire (Higher and higher, higher and higher) Stir 'em up in a stir fry (Sizzle and sigh, sizzle and sigh)

Bake 'em deep in the oven (45 minutes at 425) Cook 'em down in your soup (Yummy in my tummy, oh my)

CHORUS

Eat more veggies (Can't get enough of 'em) Eat more fruits (Oh how we love 'em) Eat more grains (If you can, get organic) Eat more legumes (You know it's better for the planet) Eat more beans (The magical fruit) More nuts and seeds (They're so cute) Oh when you're powered by plants You got everything you need You got strength, you got speed You got the courage to do good deeds You got the energy to change the world (Change the world!)

VERSE 3

Wrap 'em in a burrito
(Roll it up, roll it up)
Bake 'em into a bread loaf
(Knead it down, knead it down)
Place 'em right on your pizza
(With plant-based cheese and veggies)
Cook 'em into your cookies
(Cookies cookies yes please)

VERSE 4

Where you gonna get your protein (From the plants, from the plants)
Where you gonna get your vitamins (From those delicious, generous plants)
Where you gonna get your nutrients (From those magical versatile plants)
Where you gonna get your power (From the plants, from the plants)

CHORUS

Eat more veggies

(Can't get enough of 'em)

Eat more fruits

(Oh how we love 'em)

Eat more grains

(If you can, get organic)

Eat more legumes

(You know it's better for the planet)

Eat more beans

(The magical fruit)

More nuts and seeds

(They're so cute)

'Cause when you're powered by plants

You got everything you need

You got strength, you got speed

You got the courage to do good deeds

You got the energy to change the world

(Change the world!)

BRIDGE

You're plant-powered

You're powered by plants

You got plant power

You're powered by plants

Oh did you know that eating more plants

Is a radical action?

That can help to make our food systems

More equitable for everyone

So come on and use that super power

To save the day in this precious hour

Say pass the plants, pass the plants

Pass the plants, pass the plants

'Cmon pass the plants, pass the plants

Pass the plants, pass the plants

CHORUS

Eat more veggies

(Veggies and fruits)

Eat more beans

(And roots and shoots)

Eat more nuts

(And seeds and grains)

Eat more plants When you eat this way You're a star, you're a dynamo You're a plant-powered hero And you're challenging the status quo 'Cause when you're powered by plants You got everything you need You got strength, you got speed You got the courage to do good deeds And follow your wildest dreams You got the energy to change the world (Change the world!) Change the world (Change the world!) Change the world (Change the world!)

KINDNESS MATTERS

VERSE 1

Kindness is an intention It's not about perfection It's the beauty in your heart Showing you the way to start Movin' in a kind direction

VERSE 2

It doesn't have to be about wrong and right Or good and bad, don't need to make it a fight We're doing our best Learning as we go To move the world in a kind direction

BRIDGE

'Cause just a little drop of kindness
Can make an ocean of difference
And a little bit of friendliness
Can change everything for a person
Or a chicken or a spider
Or a forest or a bee
'Cause every tiny act of kindness really matters
And every molecule of peace really matters

It matters

VERSE 3

So imagine a world where the kindness flows Into every heart, and the loving grows A little stronger and brighter And longer and wider We can do it if we do it together We can change the world forever We can do it if we do it together We can change the world forever We can do it if we do it together Kindness is the truest treasure

PEACE IS THE WAY

VERSE 1

Peace is a choice we make
With every step we take
With every thought we think
Every word we say
And we can make the choice
To use our beautiful voices
And hearts and bodies and minds
Peace is the way

VERSE 2

All you people far and near It's time to hold each other dear For we all have a heart inside That's basically good And when we remember to care And love and listen and share You know we change the world Peace is the way

CHORUS

Sometimes peace comes when you're quiet Or being still, or feeling calm Sometimes peace means no more fighting Or when the anger's done and gone Sometimes it's speaking truth with kindness Or dancing wild your heart's own song All the time it's strong and loving And it's been right here inside us all along

VERSE 3

For we are all the same
Made of sun and dirt and rain
Made of wind and breath and sky
We are the earth
And if we want to thrive
We gotta touch it all with our mindfulness
With every step we take
Peace is the way

CHORUS

Sometimes peace means making new friends Welcoming hearts and holding hands Peace means we include everyone In our circle, in our land And all around the world we're singing Peace means we're all family Peace is strong and peace is loving And it's showing us the way To be free

BRIDGE

Peace is

Friendship

Caring

Harmony

Reconciliation

Truth

Listening

Peace is

Justice

Compassion

Non-harming

Peace is

Patience

Understanding

Community

CODA

Let's walk in peace (let's walk)

Talk in peace (let's talk in peace) Act in peace (let's act) Breathe in peace (let's breathe in peace) Let's work in peace (let's work) Play in peace (let's play in peace) Relate in peace (let's relate) Let's be in peace (let's be in peace) Commit to peace (let's commit) Speak out in peace (speak out in peace) Stand up in peace (let's stand up) Resist in peace (let's resist in peace) Rise up in peace (let's rise up) Protect in peace (protect in peace) Reach out in peace (let's believe) Believe in peace Peace is the way