

FIRE ON THE ISLAND (difé an péyi la)



Chorus:

This Mendé is hot Mendé from Guadalupe

Whether it's a cultural mendé
Whether it's a traditional mendé
Whether it's a sensual mendé
It's always a mendé from Guadalupe
It's always a mendé from my country, Guadalupe

Guadalupe is o so small
That butterfly's wings are long and wide
If you pass gas on Grande Terre,
Folks in Basse-Terre will hold their noses.
So we ask who is a mafioso or a gangster
And how did they enter without you seeing them.

We remained quiet for ten, twenty years
Suffered the blows of a stick without speaking
But when we'll explode,
We'll be worse than the volcano, the magma is rising.

They say we are rude.

They say we're not smiley.

I'm beneath the hot sun, thunder

I cannot grin anymore than this, for you

I tell you Guadalupe is o so small
The butterfly's wings and long and wide.
You can come with all your tools sharpened
But you can never cut it's wings.

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