Two Sides (The Spy Who Loves Me)

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Who are you,

my dark and dangerous lover?

All I know is you're extra special,

quite simply, like no other.

Your hard candy shell

appears brittle and tight

and evokes in your students

both subordination and fright.

But this never reveals

your true soft inner core;

the one only I know

as I learn more and more.

No one could guess

all that compassion inside, as the truth from the world you continue to hide. You tread a fine line in the double life that you lead; never quite sure on whose side for mercy you'll plead. It's a dangerous game, few would dare choose yet you continue to do it, knowing you could lose. If those who doubt you knew just half of what you give they'd hang their heads in shame, discovering your actions help them live. But I've learnt who you are, my love; I know all that you do. You chose me, despite the risk and, darling, I chose you. We both know that the thin ice that we skate could both shatter and crack from the sweet love that we make. But without each other we now couldn't survive; In each other's arms we feel so alive. So no one must know of our secretive trysts or get to discover the very private bits ... of the nights of passion we continue to share when the world that we live in becomes too much to bear. I watch you so often and wish I could yell to take us away from this pure living hell. For it's hard when you love so very much, not to be able to outwardly touch or say to others -"Look, this man is good, he's given up things very few others would!"

But I can't say those things and it hurts deep inside to not tell the world of my love and my pride for this remarkable man so shuttered and worn, who appears so indifferent but inside is so torn. I'll love you forever beyond the end of time. There's no doubt in my heart that I'm yours and you're mine. Not revealing our love is a small price to pay for the joy that we share at the end of each day. While others may ponder, the truth cannnot escape as only I know your secret ... and I love you so much, Severus Snape.