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# Sea Sick

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I never thought much of cruises.  
Fear of sea sickness, I think.  
The ship is so expansive, I hear,  
that you feel like you're on steady ground  
But meanwhile the waves are undulating underneath,  
a hidden uncertainty  
that rocks the boat in the subtlest way,  
making the passengers  
silently and suddenly succumb  
to its effects.

And so you are—  
the pretense of stability,  
hiding the depths of the ocean beneath you  
Subtly rocking, rocking, rocking  
until the passengers of your life  
silently, suddenly  
long for solid land.



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